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THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA met in its Seventy-Seventh Annual Session, Tuesday, October 21st, 1890, at 7:30 o'clock, P. M., in the First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N. C., and was opened with a sermon by the retiring Moderator, Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D., from John, 17:4—"I have glorified Thee on the earth, I have finished the work which Thou gavest me to do."

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D.

The following members were present during the sessions of the Synod :*

I.—ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
J. Henry Smith, D. D.	J. A. Gilmer, ² L. D. Heartt, ²	Greensboro, First. Durham.
Cornelius Miller, Jas. L. Currie, D. I. Craig, ³ W. F. Wilhelm, E. W. Smith, ² S. O. Hall,	John T. Wharton, ²	Westminster.
J. H. Lacy, W. P. McCorkle, G. A. Wilson, W. R. Coppedge, ² J. J. Harrell.	G. A. Denny. 4	Buffalo.

*The figure after a name denotes the day a member takes his seat.

Of the Presbytery of Orange the following ministers were absent: T. U. Faucette, H. T. Darnall, C. A. Morrow, R. W. Culbertson, E. P. Davis—5.

The following churches were not represented: Milton, Red House, Alamance.

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II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
J. Rumble, D. D.,	J. D. McNeely,	Salisbury.
W. A. Wood, D. D., ²	E. B. Stimson,	Statesville.
	A. C. Avery, ³	Morganton.
J. M. Wharey, D. D.,	A. Leazar, ²	Mooreville.
	C. R. White, ²	Concord, First.
C. A. Munroe,		
	H. C. Dixon,	Hickory.
J. A. Ramsay,	Thos. McConnell,	Back Creek.
W. R. McLelland,	E. P. Penick,	Bethesda.
R. S. Arrowood,	N. Johnston,	Gilwood.
J. B. Shearer, D. D. ³		
I. N. Campbell, ²		
H. G. Gilland, ²		
	Wm. J. Martin,	Davidson College.
D. Munroe,	10	
C. W. Maxwell,		
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III.—FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

N. McKay, D. D., ²		
	Duncan Sinclair, ³	Ashpole.
A. McQueen,		
H. G. Hill, D. D.,	J. C. McCaskill, ³	Maxton.
D. Fairley,		
A. N. Ferguson,	L. McDonald,	Big Rockfish.

Jamestown, Speedwell, Burlington, Stony Creek, Spring Wood, Reidsville. Hillsboro, Little River, Eno, Fairfield, Madison, Leaksville, Wentworth, Bethel, Midway, Winston, Mebaneville, Bethlehem, Lexington, High Point, Hawfields, Cross Roads, Graham, Yanceyville, Griens, Bethesda, Chapel Hill, New Hope, Oak Forest, Mount Airy, Wilkesboro, Elkin—35.

Of the Presbytery of Concord, the following ministers were absent; B. L. Beall, Wm. W. Pharr, D. D., J. P. Marion, L. McKinnon, D. D., L. K. Glasgow, C. M. Payne, D. D., E. E. Pressley, Thos. J. Allison, J. G. Anderson, A. L. Crawford, P. H. Dalton, J. M. Greenlee, John W. Davis, D. D.—13.

The following churches were not represented: Centre, Prospect, Lenoir, Thyatira, Bethany, Tabor, Troutmans, Bethphage, Concord (Fredell), Clio, Third Creek, Fifth Creek, Elmwood, Bethel, Unity, Franklin, South River, Rocky River, Poplar Tent, Taylorsville, Salem, Mocksville, Newton, Shiloh, Turkey Cove, Glen Alpine, Norwood, Lebanon, Forest, Mizpah, Beulah, Siloam, Drusilla, Marion, Old Fort, Blowing Rock, Zion, Greenlee, New Salem—39.

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MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
Joseph Evans, ²		
J. S. Black,		
A. R. Shaw,	Jas. D. Melver, ²	Carthage.
Chalmers Moore,	L. M. Blue,	Laurinburg.
P. R. Law,		
T. P. Barclay,	J. W. McNeill,	Fayetteville.
A. Currie,		
K. A. McLeod,		
J. M. Clark,		
W. F. Thom,		
M. N. McIver.		
16	J. F. McNair, ²	Laurel Hill.
	Neill Shaw,	Lumber Bridge.
	J. A. McPherson,	McPherson.
	T. B. Womack, ⁴	Pittsboro.
	D. H. McNeill,	Philadelphus.
	John B. McNeill,	Philippi.
	D. D. McKinnon,	Sharon.
	D. C. Shaw,	St. Andrews.
	D. McNeill.	Union.

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IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

Colin Shaw,	Warren Johnston,	Clinton.
B. F. Marable, D. D.,	W. T. Bannerman,	Burgaw.
	A. H. Perry,	White Plains.
A. McFadyen,	J. D. Kelly, ²	Bladenboro.
	A. K. Cromartie,	Clarkton.
	D. G. Robinson,	Mt. Horeb.

Of the Presbytery of Fayetteville the following ministers were absent: J. P. McPherson, A. McMillan, D. D. McBryde, James McQueen, K. McIntyre, G. A. Hough, J. W. Johnston—7.

The following churches were not represented: Antioch, Asheboro, Barbacue, Bethesda, Bethel, Bensalem, Bethlehem, Bluff, Buffalo, Calah, Cameron, Culdee, Cypress, Church of Covenant, Centre, China Grove, Dunn, Ellerbe Springs, Euphronia, Flat Branch, Gulf, Galatia, Haywood, Iona, Jackson Springs, Jonesboro, Lebanon, Long Street, Lumberton, Lumber Bridge, Mark's Creek, Mt. Tabor, Montpeller, Mt. Carmel, Macedonia, Midway, Mt. Vernon, Mt. Pisgah, Pee Dee, Pocket, Red Springs, Rockingham, Sardis, Smyrna, St. Paul, Sherwood, Shiloh, Sandy Grove, Salem, Tirzah, White Hill, Worthville—52.

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MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
Geo. W. McMillan, ³		
K. McDonald,		
J. W. Primrose, D. D.,	A. D. McDonald,	St. Andrews.
	Samuel Northrop,	Wilmington, First.
J. D. Stanford,	T. J. Williams,	Chinquepin.
Peter McIntyre,	I. R. Faison, ²	Union.
	L. W. Robinson,	Duplin Road.
W. McC. Miller,		
L. Smith,	W. J. Cromartie,	South River Chapel.
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V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

	Geo. E. Wilson, ²	Charlotte, First.
R. Z. Johnston,	J. A. Reedy,	Lincolnton, First.
J. J. Kennedy,		
Wm. E. McIlwain,	C. E. Adams,	Gastonia.
E. A. Sample,		
W. S. P. Bryan,		
	J. M. Caldwell,	Sugar Creek.
W. B. Arrowood,	W. W. Alexander, ²	Sharon.
Roger Martin,	J. T. Kell,	Providence.
W. C. C. Foster,		
Geo. W. Belk,		
Frank D. Hunt,		
J. B. Cochran,		
D. F. Sheppard.		
12	J. W. Brown,	Ramah.
	H. L. Dixon,	Mallard Creek.
	A. F. Stevens,	Monroe.
	T. P. Pyron.	Mathews.
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Of the Presbytery of Wilmington the following ministers were absent: D. B. Black, James Kelly, P. H. Hoge, D. D., J. J. Hines—4.

The following churches were not represented: Hopewell, Rockfish, Pike, Mt. Zion, Oak Plains, Mt. Olive, Warsaw, Beth Carr, Whiteville, Black River Chapel, Caswell, Harmony, Keith, Beulah, Cobb's Mills, Richlands, Sutton's Branch, White Hall, Morehead City, Seminary, Grove, Topsail, Elizabethtown, Mt. Williams, White Oak Croatan, Jacksonville—27.

Of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg the following ministers were absent: J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, A. W. Miller, D. D., G. D. Parks, D. T. Towles, R. A. Miller, Wm. R. Atkinson, D. P. Robinson, C. W. Robinson, T. A. Wharton, J. R. McAlpine, J. L.

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VI —ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
L. C. Vass, D. D.,		
J. S. Watkins, D. D.,	A. M. McPheeters,	Raleigh, First.
J. N. H. Summerell,	J. J. Whitehurst, ²	Tarboro.
S. H. Isler,		
Alexander Sprunt,	Samuel Watkins, ²	Henderson.
R. P. Pell,		
J. B. Swann,		
J. C. McMullen,	T. B. Hyman, ²	Goldsboro,
F. H. Johnston, D. D.,	4	
W. D. Morton, D. D.,		

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Ministers present during the Sessions of Synod, 72 ;
Ruling Elders, 55 ; Total, 127.

Rev. Alexander Sprunt, of the Presbytery of Albemarle, was chosen Moderator, and Rev. A. R. Shaw, of Fayetteville Presbytery, and Ruling Elder H. C. Dixon, of Hickory, N. C., were elected temporary Clerks.

A Communication from the Session of the First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N. C., was read and referred

Williamson, S. C. Boyce, Wm. J. Erdman, M. A. Henderson, R. W. Boyd, Jesse W. Siler, R. C. Reed, R. S. Brown, John W. Moore, Wm. Graves—21.

The following churches were not represented: Amity, Dallas, Goshen, Paw Creek, William's Memorial, New Hope, Graham Street, Franklin, Morrison, Steele Creek, Asheville First, Huntersville, Lowell, Mill's River, Unity, Castanea Grove, Machpelah, Shelby, Robinson, Charlotte Second, Hendersonville, Hopewell, Little Britain, Philadelphia, Olney, Long Creek, Morven, Pleasant Hill, Davidson River, Hephzibah, Hiwassee, Union, Bethel, Bethlehem, Sandy Plains, Rutherfordton, Swannanoa, Red Oak, Oak Forest, Wadesboro, Waynesville, Pineville, Charleston, Polkton, King's Mountain, Duncan's Creek, Shiloh, Mulberry, Waxhaw—49.

Of the Presbytery of Albemarle the following ministers were absent: R. Burwell, D. D., Geo. W. Ferrill, J. M. Atkinson, D. D., Carr Moore, Edward Mack—5.

The following churches were not represented: Oakland, Littleton, New Bern, Nut Bush, Wilson, Carr Memorial, Geneva, Grassy Creek, LaGrange, Loulsburg, Nahalah, Oak Hill, Oxford, Raleigh (Second), Rocky Mount, Shiloh, Warrenton, Washington—18.

Communication.

to the Committee on Devotional Exercises. It is as follows :

To the Venerable, the Synod of North Carolina :

DEAR BRETHREN :—The Session of this Church esteem the presence of the venerable body of Christ's servants a high honor, and their entertainment a rare privilege to the people of this congregation.

They believe that the gathering together, in the interests of the Master's Kingdom, of so large a body of faithful Ministers and Elders, should be the occasion of great spiritual blessing to the Church at large and especially to the congregation in which the Sessions of this body are held, and to the families who entertain its members.

They recognize prayer as the medium of communication through which the Divine blessing is secured; and bear grateful testimony to the faithfulness of our covenant-keeping God in His gracious answer to the recent united and earnest prayers of this congregation for the life of its beloved Pastor.

And they believe, that in answer to the united and fervent prayers of this body of His faithful servants, God will send down the Holy Spirit to comfort and sanctify His people, and to convert unbelievers.

They therefore ask that in all the devotional exercises held during the Sessions of Synod, it be made the subject of *earnest, humble and believing* prayer that God would graciously visit His people with an abundant outpouring of the Holy Ghost, that they may be made more faithful in bearing witness for Christ, and that sinners may be converted unto Him.

They make this request in the humble hope that not only this congregation shall be visited with a season of spiritual refreshing, but that a great blessing may come to all the congregations represented in this body, and to our beloved Church at large.

By order of the Session.

B. F. HALL,
Clerk.

October 21st, 1890.

It was ordered that the last hour of each Morning Session be spent in devotional exercises and preaching of the Word.

The Standing Rule for observing the Synodical Communion on Thursday evening, was suspended, and it was

Orders of the Day. Hours of Sessions.

ordered that it be observed to-morrow (Wednesday) evening at the hour for Divine worship.

It was ordered that the Sessions of Friday be given to hearing the report of the Committee on Evangelistic Labor, together with a discussion of the subject in accordance with a programme prepared by the Committee.

Permission was granted the Committee on Foreign Missions to print and distribute the programme on the subject of Foreign Missions.

The hours for daily Sessions were fixed from 9.30 A. M., and adjourn at 12 M. for Divine worship; from 3.30 P. M., and from 8.00 P. M., and adjourn at will.

Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30, A. M., and was closed with prayer by Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 22d, 1890.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod convened at 9:30 A. M., and was opened with prayer by Rev. B. F. Marable, D. D.

The Minutes of last evening's Session were read and approved.

The Moderator announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. BILLS AND OVERTURES.—Revs. J. M. Wharey, D. D., H. G. Hill, D. D., P. R. Law, and Ruling Elders W. J. Martin and J. W. McNeill.

Standing Committees.

2. JUDICIAL COMMITTEE.—Revs. W. S. P. Bryan, J. H. Lacy, and Ruling Elders E. B. Stimson and L. M. Blue.

3. ADDRESS TO THE CHURCHES ON THE STATE OF RELIGION—Revs. J. Henry Smith, D. D., C. A. Munroe, and Ruling Elder A. M. McPheeters.

4. SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE —Revs. F. H. Johnston, D. D., K. McDonald, and Ruling Elder J. A. Reedy.

5. MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.—Revs. Roger Martin, J. C. McMullen, W. R. McLelland, and Ruling Elder C. E. Adams.

6. UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—Revs J. S. Watkins, D. D., J. B. Cochran, Peter McIntyre, and Ruling Elder Warren Johnston.

7. TREASURER'S BOOKS.—Rev. D. Munroe and Ruling Elders J. D. McNeely and L. W. Robinson

8. REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.—Rev. T. P. Barclay and Ruling Elder Sam'l Watkins.

9. DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.—Revs J. W. Primrose, D. D., W. McC. Miller, and Ruling Elders Sam'l Northrop and A. D. McDonald.

10. STATISTICAL REPORTS.—Revs. J. Rumple, D. D., T. P. Barclay, and Ruling Elder E. P. Penick.

11. SYNODICAL RECORDS.—Revs. L. C. Vass, D. D., R. S. Arrowood and Ruling Elder G. A. Denny.

12. LEAVE OF ABSENCE —Revs C. Miller, D. Fairley, J. D. Stanford and Ruling Elders J. T. Kell and D. D. McKinnon.

Moderator announced the following Committees on

PRESBYTERIAL RECORDS.

ORANGE.—Rev. R. Z. Johnston and Ruling Elder L. McDonald.

Standing Committees. Order of the Day.

CONCORD.—Rev. G. A. Wilson and Ruling Elder Thos. McConnell.

FAYETTEVILLE.—Rev. J. N. H. Summerell and Ruling Elder I. R. Faison

WILMINGTON.—Rev. W. B. Arrowood and Ruling Elder J. W. Brown.

MECKLENBURG.—Rev. S. H. Isler and Ruling Elder N. Johnston.

ALBEMARLE.—Rev. A. McFadyen and Ruling Elder Neill Shaw.

It was made the First Order of the Day for Saturday morning to hear the report of the Synodical Agent of Sabbath Schools.

Statistical Reports from the Presbyteries were presented and referred to the Committee on Statistical Reports. (Appendix, Paper A.)

Narratives on the State of Religion from the Presbyteries were presented, and referred to the Committee to prepare an Address to the Churches.

Reports on Systematic Beneficence from the Presbyteries were presented and referred to the Committee on Systematic Beneficence. (Appendix, Paper B.)

The Annual Report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary was read and referred to the Committee on Union Theological Seminary. (Appendix, Paper C.)

This Committee was also instructed to nominate persons to fill the vacancies which occur in the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

It was made the Second Order of the Day Saturday morning to hear the Report of the Synodical Agent of Publication.

Presbyterial Records. Committee on Statistical Reports.

Presbyterial Records were presented and referred to the respective Committees on Presbyterial Records.

The Report and book of the Treasurer were presented and referred to the Committee on Treasurer's Book.

The Synodical Historical Committee. Rev. J. Alston Ramsay, Chairman, reported that they had nothing of interest to present. Report was received and approved.

Rev. C. Miller, Chairman of Committee on the Bible Cause, stated that his report was ready, but he had not had opportunity to submit it to the other members of the Committee. He was granted permission to present the Report, which was received, the resolutions taken up *seriatim* and adopted, after which the Report as a whole was adopted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes. (Appendix, Paper D.)

The Committee on Statistical Reports, Rev. J. Rumble, D. D., Chairman, presented the following Report, which was received and adopted :

Your Committee would respectfully report, in part, that said Reports reveal the fact that Rev. R. B. Anderson, D. D., and Rev. N. T. Bowden have been removed from the Church on earth during the past Synodical year, and recommend :

1. That Rev. W. A. Wood, Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D., and Ruling Elder H. C. Dixon, prepare a Memorial Minute of Rev. R. B. Anderson, D. D.

2. That Rev. A. McQueen, Rev. J. M. Clark and Ruling Elder L. M. Blue, prepare a Memorial Minute of Rev. N. T. Bowden.

3. That the Memorials be presented this evening in connection with the Communion exercises.

An Overture from the Presbytery of Mecklenburg was read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

It is as follows :

To the Venerable Synod of North Carolina—Greeting :

This is to ask the Synod of North Carolina to make a deliverance on

Overtures.

Art. 2, Sec. 3, Chap. VI., of Form of Government, so as to answer the questions :

Is it competent for a Minister, out of our bounds and of a different denomination, to moderate a congregational meeting, called for the purpose of electing a Pastor ?

Is it not also eminently desirable, that a minister invited to moderate such a meeting, be always elected from that Presbytery, or at furthest from the Synod, within which the church is located ?

By order of Mecklenburg Presbytery.

Attest : R. Z. JOHNSTON,
Hopewell Church, N. C., April 25th, 1890. Stated Clerk.

The following Overture from the same Presbytery was read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures :

To the Synod of North Carolina—Greeting :

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg respectfully overtures the Synod to transfer to its care Bethel Church in Mecklenburg County, and Drusilla Church, in McDowell County, the Presbytery of Concord concurring.

By order of Presbytery.

Attest : R. Z. JOHNSTON,
Hendersonville, N. C., Oct. 10th, 1890. Stated Clerk.

Overtures from the Presbytery of Concord were read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures. They are as follows :

The Presbytery of Concord overtures the Synod of North Carolina to transfer to Mecklenburg Presbytery the church of Bethel in Mecklenburg county, and the church of Drusilla in McDowell county.

By order of Presbytery: J. RUMPLE,
Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 22d, 1890. Moderator.

OVERTURE TO SYNOD.

Concord Presbytery hereby expresses its approval of the accompanying petition of the church and congregation of Wilkesboro to the Synod of North Carolina, and overtures the Synod to reconsider and change its previous action, so as to restore to Concord Presbytery the counties of Ashe and Wilkes.

By order of Presbytery. WM. W. PHARR,
September 19th, 1890. Stated Clerk.

Petition. Communication. Order of the Day.

WILKESEBORO, N. C., Sept. 10th, 1890.

To the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of N. C.:

WHEREAS, We were by the action of Synod dissevered from Concord Presbytery against the wishes and desires of every member of the church and congregation; and it being impossible on account of the location of churches in Orange Presbytery to group us with another church without placing a minister at very great inconvenience and expense; and it would doubtless necessitate a considerable expense of the Sustentation Fund of Orange Presbytery to afford us any supply at all; and

WHEREAS, if we are allowed to remain grouped as heretofore, we will not, so far as our church is concerned, require any aid from Sustentation Fund, but will pay our full quota of the minister's salary.

For these and many other reasons we ask that the overture made at last Synod be rescinded and that we be reinstated in Concord Presbytery.

J. T. FINLEY,
Ruling Elder.

(Petition is signed by all members of church and others.—STATED CLERK)

Rev. W. R. McLelland was elected Agent of Education to fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal of Rev. R. F. Campbell from the bounds of this Synod.

A communication was received and read from Rev. E. M. Richardson, D. D., Secretary of the Assembly's Executive Committee of Education, and was referred to the Synodical Agent of Education

Committee on Devotional Exercises, Rev J. W. Primrose D. D., Chairman, reported, recommending that the Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D., preach to-night and Rev. W. A. Wood, D. D., conduct the Communion Service. The report was received and adopted.

It was made the Third Order of the Day, Saturday, to hear the report of the Agent of Education.

Overtures, Time and Place of Next Meeting.

An overture was read from the Presbytery of Fayetteville and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures. It is as follows :

WHEREAS, Randolph county is contiguous to Orange Presbytery and more closely related to it commercially and by general intercourse, and,

WHEREAS, A proposition is pending to supply the strongest church of the three organized churches of the county by a pastor of Orange Presbytery, and

WHEREAS, All of the churches of the county can be supplied with preaching more conveniently and supervised more economically by Orange Presbytery; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Synod of North Carolina be and is hereby over-tured to transfer Randolph county from Fayetteville Presbytery to Orange Presbytery.

Attest :

A. R. SHAW,
Stated Clerk.

The First Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, N. C., was chosen as the place for the next meeting of the Synod. This action was afterward reconsidered, and it was ordered that Synod hold its next regular meeting in the Presbyterian Church, Durham, N. C., on Tuesday, November 10th, 1891, at 7:30 o'clock, P. M.

The Stated Clerk was directed to have printed eleven hundred and fifty copies of the Seventy-Seventh Session of the Synod of North Carolina.

Rev Thos. H. Pritchard, D. D., of the Baptist Church, was invited to sit as a visiting brother, and was introduced to the Synod.

The Synod then took recess until 3:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Synod met after recess and resumed its business.

A communication from the First Baptist Church, Wilmington, N. C., was read and referred to the Committee on Devotional Exercises.

Report of Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures, Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D., Chairman, presented the following answer to Overtures from Mecklenburg, Fayetteville and Concord Presbyteries, which were received and adopted :

To the Overture from Mecklenburg Presbytery, marked No. 1 :

When the Form of Government (Chap. vi., Sec. 3, Art. 2), speaks of a "minister" presiding over congregational meetings, it evidently contemplates that this minister be of our own Denomination, and no other ; and while the Book does not provide, in so many words, that this minister belong to the Presbytery within whose bounds the congregation meets, yet, in the judgment of the Synod, it is wise and proper, and in accordance with the spirit of the Book, that this be the case, or at least that he belong to the Southern Presbyterian Church.

To the concurring Overtures from Mecklenburg and Concord Presbyteries, with reference to the transfer of Bethel and Drusilla churches :

That the Overtures be considered favorably, and that these churches are hereby placed under the jurisdiction of Mecklenburg Presbytery.

To the Overture in reference to restoring certain counties to Concord Presbytery :

That this Overture and accompanying petition from Wilkesboro church be favorably considered, and that Synod does hereby restore the counties of Ashe and Wilkes to Concord Presbytery.

To the Overture from Fayetteville Presbytery, with reference to the transfer of Randolph county :

That this be granted, and that Synod does hereby restore the county of Randolph to the jurisdiction of Orange Presbytery.

The Synod then took recess till 8 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

After devotional exercises the Synod united in the observance of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The following minutes touching the death of ministers of the Synod deceased since the last meeting, were reported by their respective Committees.

Memorials of Deceased Ministers.

REV. R. B. ANDERSON, D. D.

Rev. R. B. Anderson, D. D., died December 3d, 1889. He was brave and independent, gentle and modest. He never sought popularity, but his lovable character, his humor and transparent honesty, made him very popular. A truer friend never lived.

He was an able minister of the New Testament; his preaching was full of power, tenderness and pathos. None of our ministers were listened to by the people with more profit and delight. With great grief and appreciation of the loss to us and to the Church of God, we record the death of this beloved brother.

REV. N. T. BOWDEN.

Rev. Nathan T. Bowden was a native of Richmond county, and was educated at Davidson College when that institution was conducted as a manual labor school.

He was married and settled on a farm, in his native county, and was acting as Ruling Elder in Mt. Carmel Church when he felt it to be his duty to prepare himself to preach the Gospel of Christ.

With the aid of his pastor, Rev. M. McQueen, he entered upon a course of special preparation for the sacred office.

In the fall of 1857 he was licensed by Fayetteville Presbytery as a probationer for the Gospel ministry. In the fall of 1858, he, having passed the required examination, was ordained to the full power of the ministry, on a call from Sharon Church.

Brother Bowden, physically, was not a strong man, but he had a vigorous mind, a kind, generous and noble heart, full of the milk of human kindness; energetic and faithful in season and out of season in winning souls for Christ. His hospitable home was a favorite resort for his brethren, who always met a cordial welcome and abounding hospitality. His active labors in the ministry were confined principally to the group of churches in the immediate vicinity of his home, Pee Dee and Sharon being his only pastorate.

Brother Bowden was called to his reward on the 1st day of August, 1890, aged sixty-nine years, four months and seven days. Calm, peaceful and resigned, his last words to the sorrowing loved ones were: "I have made all needful preparation." Truly, "he is not, for the Lord hath taken him."

Communication. Report of Synodical Commissioners.

After the reading of these minutes they were unanimously adopted by a rising vote, and the Synod was led in prayer.

The Stated Clerk was directed to transmit to the families of the deceased brethren copies of the memorials adopted, and to make the customary memorial record in the Book of Minutes.

A letter was received from Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, pastor of the church in which the Synod is meeting, and was referred to the Stated Clerk, who was instructed to write Dr. Hoge a letter expressive of the sympathy of the Synod.

The Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30 A. M. Closed with prayer by Rev. T. P. Barclay.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, October 23d, 1890.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, at 9:30 A. M. Opened with prayer by Rev W. R. Coppedge.

The minutes of the Second Day's Session were read and approved.

The Commissioners appointed at the last meeting of this Synod to confer with similar Commissioners from the Synods of South Carolina, Georgia and South Georgia and Florida, presented the following report, which was received and placed upon the docket for further consideration :

REPORT OF SYNODICAL COMMISSION.

We, the Commissioners appointed by the Synods of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and South Georgia and Florida, beg leave to submit to the Synods the following report :

I. We deem it desirable, necessary and practicable for the four Synods to unite in founding and fostering a school common to them all.

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We do therefore recommend the adoption of the following Plan of Union, which shall be of the nature of fundamental law for the proposed institution :

(1.) The Synods shall appoint each three Regents, so elected that one shall pass out of office each year, who shall constitute a Board of Regents, of whom one-half shall be a quorum. The sole government of the institution shall belong to this Board.

(2.) Such institution shall embrace, first, such academic and scientific courses as are usual in institutions of a high grade, and then such professional, polytechnic, and industrial schools and courses as may from time to time seem proper and necessary. In connection with every course there shall be given a thorough and comprehensive Biblical training, so as to make an intelligent Scriptural faith the controlling principle of the institution.

(3.) The school shall be called a University, in that it shall offer the best facilities in reach for thorough culture and a high standard of graduation, and also an ever-widening scheme of courses taught, all to be presented in such relations and combinations as may seem wisest.

(4.) The Board of Regents shall exercise the usual powers of such bodies, and employ executive agencies and enact such by-laws as may seem to them necessary for the furtherance of their work, and shall secure a Charter of Incorporation in the State where they shall locate the institution.

(5.) This Board shall proceed at their own discretion to secure a plant for the University, and endowments, both temporary and permanent. They shall locate, organize and develop the institution as soon as in their judgment it can be done with safety, and to such extent as the means in hand will justify without incurring debt.

(6.) Any other sister Synods or any new Synods formed of parts of these shall be entitled to elect Regents as herein provided, on their adoption of this Plan of Union.

(7.) This Plan of Union shall be in force when ratified by three Synods.

II. This Conference also offers the following recommendations to the Synods in furtherance of this great interest :

(1.) That the Synods appoint each a Committee on Church and Christian Education, and urge their Presbyteries to do the same, the duty of which committees shall be to disseminate information and excite interest in Christian education as best they may, and make annual reports to their respective bodies on this subject.

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(2.) That the Synods urge upon the ministers under their charge to preach and instruct the people on the duty and necessity of providing, as far as possible, for the education of our sons and daughters, and to give a special emphasis to the cause of female education.

(3.) That Presbyteries, sessions, officers and private members of the Church be exhorted and encouraged in every possible way for schools, both primary and preparatory, in which the Bible shall be a text-book.

(4.) Also that the Synods cause to be prepared and circulated pastoral letters on this subject to all our people.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. SHEARER, Chairman,
W. J. MCKAY, Secretary,
RUFUS BARRINGER,
JOHN S. WATKINS,
J. S. WHITE,
G. B. STRICKLER,
G. T. GOETCHIUS,
J. N. BRADSHAW,
JOHN C. NICHOLLS,

} Commission'rs
Present.

The Committee to examine the records of Wilmington Presbytery, Rev. W. B. Arrowood, Chairman, reported, recommending their approval. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee to examine the Treasurer's book and accounts, Rev. D. Monroe, Chairman, presented a report, which was received and deferred for further consideration. It is as follows :

We find the book and accounts neatly and correctly kept, sustained by the proper vouchers.

There is a balance on hand of.....\$ 116 13

The following amounts are due the Synod by the Presbyteries:			
From Albemarle	for 1889.....	\$ 35 00	
“ “ “	1890.....	30 00	
“ Fayetteville	“ 1888.....	50 00	
“ “ “	1889.....	50 00	
“ “ “	1890.....	50 00	
“ Mecklenburg	“ 1890.....	60 00	
“ Orange	“ 1890.....	45 00	\$320 00
			\$436 13

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions.

From the best information received the following is an approximate estimate of the indebtedness of the Synod:

Due Stated Clerk for salary and expenses to October, 1890.....	\$ 80 00
Due for printing Minutes of 1888 and 1889, about.....	375 00
“ “ Docket for 1890, about.....	10 00
	\$365 00

We recommend that Synod earnestly urge the delinquent Presbyteries to promptly pay what is now due the Synod.

The Order of the Day was then taken up, viz; Consideration of the Cause of Foreign Missions. After devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. M. H. Houston, D. D., the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions, Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, Chairman, presented their report, which was received and approved. (Appendix D.)

It was ordered that the resolutions appended to the report be considered in connection with the programme prepared by the Committee.

The first topic of the programme is: “What Individual Churches Can Do” Discussion opened by Rev. Chalmers Moore and Rev. Egbert W. Smith. After the discussion of this topic, the first resolution offered by the Committee was adopted and is as follows:

I. This Synod rejoices in the fact that God is calling and sending forth two of her sons to the foreign fields within the present year; she invokes for them the tender, watchful care of the great Head of the Church, and she lays it upon the consciences of her sons and daughters to give their lives to this holy work.

Rev. Messrs F. D. Swindell and A. B. Anderson, of the M. E. Church, South, were invited to sit as visiting brethren, and were introduced to the Synod.

Rev. M. H. Houston, D. D., of the Synod of Kentucky, was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and was introduced to the Synod.

II. Synod commends the action of its several churches which have undertaken the support of individual missionaries; it calls attention

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to the fact that at least two of these churches cannot be considered as among the strong and wealthy churches ; and it directs all pastors and sessions of churches to consider the question of pledging their churches to a like effort, and where it is found impossible to undertake the support of a missionary it directs that a combination be sought with contiguous churches for such support.

It was ordered that the speeches on the subjects for to-day's consideration be limited to five minutes each, except in the cases of those speakers selected to open the discussions.

Rev. W. B. Arrowood then opened the discussion of the second topic of the programme—"The Missionary."

After a general discussion of this subject, the third resolution of the report was adopted, which is as follows :

III. The Synod directs that a special effort be made to diffuse missionary intelligence during the current year by circulating the *Missionary* among our people, and the Synod enjoins upon the sessions to appoint a suitable agent in each church to canvass for subscriptions to the *Missionary*, and that the sessions inform the Presbyterian Agents of the name and address of this congregational agent.

Rev. W. S. P. Bryan then addressed the Synod on the next topic of the programme : "The Monthly Concert of Prayer—Simultaneous Meetings." After a general discussion of which, the following resolution of the Committee's report was adopted :

IV. That the Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions be instructed to prepare a programme of "Simultaneous Meetings" throughout the Synod as they may deem most expedient, at a time to be determined upon by them.

The Trustees of the Synod, John E. Brown, Chairman, presented their annual report, which was received, read and referred to the Committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod. It is as follows :

To the Venerable, the Synod of North Carolina:

Your Trustees respectfully report that no business requiring their action has been presented or acted upon during the current year, and that they have neither received or paid out any money.

Order of the Day—Report on Foreign Missions.

The time of this morning's session was extended five minutes.

It was made the Second Order of the Day this evening to hear the report of the Board of Regents of the Orphans' Home.

It was ordered that the first hour of to-morrow morning's session, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be devoted to hearing Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., on the report of the Synodical Commission.

The Synod then took recess till 3:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After recess the Synod resumed its business.

The unfinished business was taken up, viz: Consideration of the report of the Committee on the Treasurer's book.

The report of the Committee was adopted.

The Committee on the Treasurer's book and accounts was instructed to rearrange the assessments upon the Presbyteries; and also to adjust the amount now due from Albemarle Presbytery so as to equalize the apportionments, and report at this meeting of the Synod.

The Order of the Day was then taken up, viz: Consideration of the cause of Foreign Missions.

Following the programme prepared by the Committee, the Synod engaged in devotional exercises, "Confession," conducted by Rev. W. A. Wood, D. D.

The first topic of the afternoon, "The Sabbath School and Children's Day," was introduced by Rev. T.P. Barelay.

The resolution of the Committee's report touching this topic was then adopted. It is as follows:

V. That pastors and sessions be recommended to ask the Sabbath schools of their churches to pledge themselves to definite service to Foreign Missions, and to report the result to the Committee at Nashville.

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The second topic for the afternoon, "The Missionary Society—Woman's Work for Woman," was omitted on account of the absence of Rev. R. C. Reed, who was to introduce the discussion.

The resolution of the Committee pertaining to this topic was read, and, after discussion, was adopted. It is as follows :

VI. That Synod, following the consistent action of the General Assembly for many years, commends the organization of our Christian men and women into Missionary Societies responsible to church sessions, and contributing through the channels of the General Assembly; and, further, this Synod approves of such united efforts as may be made by the societies of different churches in the same neighborhood, or even within the same Presbytery, *provided* always that these organizations submit their constitutions and their proceedings to the Presbytery for approval; that they direct their contributions through the ordinary channels of the Church, and that in the case of ladies' societies the attendance be restricted to ladies.

In discussing this resolution the time of speaking was extended to ten minutes to enable H. A. Leazar to conclude his remarks.

Permission was granted Rev. Messrs. C. A. Monroe and Roger Martin to enter their protest against the action of Synod in adopting this resolution.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was then adopted as a whole.

It was ordered that one hour and a quarter of this evening's session be given to the further consideration of the cause of Foreign Missions, in accordance with the programme of the Committee.

The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N. C., extended an invitation to the Synod to go to-morrow (Friday) afternoon, on an excursion to the seashore. A Committee consisting of Rev. J. S. Watkins, D. D., J. Rumple, D. D., and Geo. E. Wilson, Esq., was

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appointed to express the thanks of the Synod for the invitation, and to state that owing to pressure of business, the Synod is compelled to decline its acceptance.

Synod then took recess till 8 P. M.

 EVENING SESSION.

After recess Synod met and resumed its business.

After a brief address by Rev. W. S. P. Bryan on "Tidings from Cuba," the Synod was addressed by Rev. J. J. Harrell, on "Supplication." At the conclusion of this address the Synod was led in prayer by Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D., for the blessing of God upon Rev. Mr. Harrell, who is soon to sail for his field of labor in Brazil."

The Synod was then addressed by Rev. J. S. Watkins, D. D., on "The Congo," after which a collection for Foreign Missions was taken, amounting to \$93.28.

The Order of the Day was then taken up, viz: the report of the Board of Regency of the Orphans' Home.

The report was read by the Secretary of the Board, Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, and received.

The recommendations of the Board were considered, *seriatim*, amended and adopted.

The report as adopted by the Synod is as follows :

I. ORGANIZATION.

DEAR BRETHREN: The Board of Regency of the Orphans' Home would respectfully submit to your venerable body that in obedience to your instructions the Board met in Charlotte, November 6th, 1889, and effected a permanent organization by electing Rev. J. Rumble, D. D., Chairman; Jno. E. Oates, Treasurer, and Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Secretary; and that the following were elected members of the Executive Committee, viz: Geo. E. Wilson, Jno. E. Oates, Col. John L.

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Brown, R. B. Alexander, of Charlotte; Edgar T. Leach, of Raleigh; Hon. A. Leazar, Mooresville; J. Milton Rodgers, Wilston; Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., W. H. Sprunt, Wilmington, and Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain.

II. ATTENDANCE.

The Board has held four meetings in Charlotte since the last meeting of Synod, and the following members have been present at every meeting, viz: Rev. J. Rumble, D. D., Geo. E. Wilson, Jno. E. Oates, and Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain. Rev. D. I. Craig was present at every meeting save one, when he was excused; Rev. D. D. McByrde was present at one meeting. Gov. Fowle was present at one meeting, after which he rendered his excuse and tendered his resignation, because of his inability to attend. His excuse was sustained and his resignation is referred to the Synod for its action. Mr. G. M. Love was present at two meetings, and Mr. Geo. Chadbourn, of Wilmington, and Hon. A. M. Scales, though not able to attend our meetings, sent in their excuses, which were sustained.

III. CONDITION OF THE HOME.

At our recent meeting in Charlotte, October 3d, the Executive Committee of the Board made the following report:

That at present there are twenty children in the Home, of whom four are boys and sixteen are girls. That during the year twelve children have been received, of whom two were boys and ten were girls. Five children have been discharged, all of whom were girls. That the health of the institution has not been as good as your Committee could have desired, there having been seventeen cases of sickness, eight cases of influenza, and nine cases of continued fever. That all of these cases received prompt and competent medical attention, and your Committee is glad to be able to report that none of the cases resulted in a fatal termination. Your Committee is also gratified to be able to report that at the present time there are no cases of sickness in the Home, the last of the cases of five being a boy and a girl, both of whom are now convalescent.

A school has been conducted in the Home during the last year under the care of the matron, Mrs. J. W. McCombs, the average attendance now amounting to sixteen.

Your Committee desire to place on record its appreciation of the lady managers of Charlotte, who have been faithful in the discharge of their duties, and who have rendered much substantial and loving

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aid to the children of the institution, thus relieving their wants and alleviating their sufferings during the long and tedious days and nights when sickness and pain invaded the Home.

The Committee would also report that the matron, Mrs. J. W. McCombs, has been faithful and efficient in the discharge of her duties, and has exercised what is believed to be a Christian and motherly control over the inmates committed to our care. There has been as yet no change in the location of the Home, the quarters now being used being the same as those occupied by the ladies of Charlotte prior to the time that the institution passed to your control. The quarters are not large enough for the necessities of the case, and your Committee has been compelled to refuse application for admittance for the want of room. The Committee has done its best to secure other and larger accommodations, but its efforts in that direction have not been successful.

IV. FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE HOME.

From the complete report of our Treasurer, John E. Oates, it appears that on November 6th, 1889, he received—

From the ladies of the two churches in Charlotte, who then had charge of the Charlotte Home, the sum of.....	\$ 323 46
From churches, Sabbath schools and individuals since November 6th, 1889.....	2308 48
An Organ Fund of.....	16 45
From sale of real estate, less first cost.....	1884 60
Whole amount from all sources since Nov. 6, 1889.....	\$4532 99
Whils: the expense account has been.....	1411 82

Thus leaving a balance in the treasury Oct. 3d, 1890.....\$3121 17

For an itemized statement showing all receipts and disbursements we refer the Synod to the report of our Treasurer, John E. Oates, herewith submitted for your consideration.

V. PURCHASE AND SALE OF REAL ESTATE NEAR CHARLOTTE.

At a meeting of the Board, held in Charlotte, February 11th, 1890, the Board determined to purchase a tract of land containing about forty acres, situated about half a mile north of the Lincoln Depot, for the sum of \$4,000; and requested Geo. E. Wilson, John L. Brown and John E. Oates to purchase this property for the sum of \$4,000, have the deeds made to themselves, and to convey the same to the Trustees of Synod, or the Board of Regency, upon the payment of the purchase money.

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This land was purchased as per the directions of the Board, and was afterwards sold to the Richmond and Danville Rail Road Company, a full account of which, with the reasons therefor, are herewith submitted in the report of the Committee on Change of Location, of which Geo. E. Wilson, Esq., was Chairman. (See Paper C.)

VI.

The Board would call the attention of Synod to the fact that the term of service of two of its members, viz., Rev. D. D. McBryde and Gov. Fowle, expires at this meeting of Synod, and Hon. A. M. Scales and Gov. Fowle tender their resignations to the Synod.

VII. RECOMMENDATIONS.

(1.) The Board would recommend that Synod requests all its churches, whether large or small, to take a collection for the Home on Thanksgiving Day, and that wherever there are union services on that day, thus rendering the taking of this collection impracticable, that said churches be urged to take this collection as soon thereafter as possible and forward the same to the Treasurer of the Home, and that our ministers be urged to enlist the children of the Sabbath Schools in this cause, and to take at least one collection for the Home each year.

(2.) That Synod appoint a Committee to make an application to the next Legislature of North Carolina for the purpose of incorporating the Regents of the Orphans' Home of the Presbyterian Church of the Synod of North Carolina; that said Committee be constituted of Rev. J. Rumble, D. D., E. R. Stamps, of Raleigh, and Geo. E. Wilson, Esq., of Charlotte.

(3.) That the location of the Home be changed from Charlotte to Barium Springs, in Iredell county, for the reasons set forth in the report of the Executive Committee to the Board of Regents.

That such property be not purchased unless the Synod should order such removal.

(4.) That about fifteen acres of woodland fronting this property be purchased by the Board, if in their judgment they think wise.

The Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30 A. M. to closed with prayer by Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D.

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FOURTH DAY.

FRIDAY, October 24th, 1890.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod convened at 9:30 A. M. and was opened with prayer by Rev. R. Z. Johnston.

The Minutes of the Third Day's Session were read and approved.

The Committee to examine the Records of Synod, Rev. L. C. Vass, D.D., Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and approved :

Your Committee have examined the Records of Synod, and respectfully report that they are beautifully recorded, with ample marginal indices, which facilitate reference. The varied business of Synod seems to be carefully and accurately indicated, and the Stated Clerk deserves our hearty commendation.

Permission was granted Judge A. C. Avery to make a personal explanation touching his recent article published in the *North Carolina Presbyterian*.

A Committee, consisting of Rev. B. F. Marable, D. D., Rev. H. G. Gilland and Ruling Elder E. P. Penick, was appointed to nominate persons to fill the vacancies on the Board of Regency of the Orphans' Home.

The Stated Clerk was instructed to write a letter to the ladies of the First and Second Presbyterian churches of Charlotte, explaining the action of Synod in removing the Orphans' Home from Charlotte to Barium Springs.

The Order of the Day was then taken up, viz : the report of the Synodical Commission.

It was ordered that the time previously allotted to the hearing of this report be indefinitely extended in order to allow Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., to conclude his explanations and remarks upon the report.

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It was then ordered that further consideration of the report be now suspended, and that it be laid on the table and taken up as unfinished business.

The Order of the day was then taken up.

The Agent of Sustentation, Rev. J. W. Primrose, D. D., presented his annual report, which was received; the resolutions appended were considered *seriatim* and adopted. (Appendix D.)

The resolutions are as follows:

1. That the work of Sustentation is not perfected till each laboring minister receive a minimum salary of \$900, including rent value of manse.
2. That Presbyteries be instructed to look more narrowly into the matter of ministerial support, and to take prompt and effectual means to stimulate the consciences of Christians to discharge their honest obligations to their pastors.
3. That the General Assembly be overtured to append a note to its Statistical forms, instructing sessions to include in their report of salary actually paid, the rent value of manses owned or rented.
4. That the Synod render aid in the support of a pastor at Chapel Hill, and that to this end a committee of three be appointed to examine and report at this meeting.

In accordance with the suggestion contained in the fourth resolution, a committee consisting of Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D., J. S. Watkins, D. D., and Ruling Elder A. Leazar, was appointed to suggest some action for the Synod's adoption.

The Synodical Agent of Evangelistic Labor, Rev. Alexander Sprunt, then presented his annual report, which was received and approved. (Appendix D.)

The following recommendation appended to the report was adopted:

For the purpose of creating a greater interest among our churches in the evangelistic work of the Synod, and the hope thereby of adding much to the efficiency of the means now and hereafter to be used to-

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ward this end, it is recommended that Home Mission Conventions or Conferences be held in different parts of the Synod under the supervision of Synod's Committee of Evangelistic Labor, the number, times and places of such conventions being left to the discretion of this committee.

Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., Synodical Evangelist, and Rev. C. W. Maxwell, Assistant Evangelist, made reports of their work, which were received and approved.

The permanent Committee of Evangelistic Labor, Rev. Alexander Sprunt, Chairman, presented their report, which was received, the recommendations considered and adopted *seriatim*, and the report as a whole adopted.

The report is as follows :

The committee on Evangelistic Labor would respectfully report to Synod, asking its adoption of the following recommendations :

1st. That hereafter the whole amount necessary for the conduct of Synod's Evangelistic work be apportioned among the Presbyteries, and that each Presbytery be left free to select its own methods of raising its funds for this cause, and that all funds collected in a Presbytery for this cause must be credited to that Presbytery on its apportionment.

2d. That at least \$3,000 be raised for this cause for the next year, and this sum be apportioned among the Presbyteries as follows : Mecklenburg, \$700; Concord, \$525; Orange, \$525; Fayetteville, \$525; Wilmington, \$450; Albemarle, \$275; for the year beginning December 1st, 1890, and ending December 1st, 1891.

3d. That the chairman of this committee be authorized to draw on the Treasurer for his bill of expenses.

4th. That the Evangelist's time be distributed among the Presbyteries as follows : Albemarle to receive fourteen weeks of Dr. Morton and his assistant's time; Concord, eight weeks; Mecklenburg, eight; Orange, five; Wilmington, five; and Fayetteville, four weeks, making the sum total of forty-four weeks in each year.

5th. Inasmuch as the funds now in the hands of the Treasurer are sufficient to meet the expenses of the committee up to December 1st, 1890 (not including the salary of the assistant Evangelist, which is provided for up to June 1st, 1891, by special pledges); and inasmuch as the collections made by the Evangelists in the fields more than cover the

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apparent deficits in the account of those Presbyteries in which these collections were taken, *Resolved*, therefore, that the Presbyteries be not called upon to meet the arrearages on last year's apportionments, but that the apportionments now made by Synod become operative from December 1st, 1890, and that the special pledges made for the support of Rev. C.W. Maxwell be called for as required to meet his salary.

Provided, however, that this resolution be not understood as crediting on the apportionments now made by Synod any funds already collected for this account, but not included in the Treasurer's report now submitted to Synod.

6th. That Mr. B. F. Hall, Dr. J. W. McNeill, Hon. A. M. Scales be continued on this committee, and that John E. Oates, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, and J. G. Hall, of Concord Presbytery, be elected to serve for the next year.

7. That the following programme of reports and addresses on different phases of the evangelistic work be adopted by the Synod:

Annual Report of Synod's Agent of Sustentation and action thereon—Rev. John W. Primrose, D. D.

Annual Report of Synod's Agent of Evangelistic Labor and action thereon—Rev. Alexander Sprunt.

Annual Report of Synod's Evangelists—Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., Rev. C. W. Maxwell.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION.

(1.) Our Obligation to Reach the Poor of North Carolina with the Gospel, and the Best Means of Meeting this Obligation—Rev. E. W. Smith.

(2.) The Ministerial Qualifications for Reaching the Poor Successfully—Rev. P. R. Law.

(3.) Presbyterianism Suited to the Masses—Mr. W. S. Primrose.

(4.) Lay Evangelism—Rev. J. Rumble, D. D.

(5.) The Necessity and Powers of the Evangelist—Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D.

(6.) Brief addresses by Chairmen of Presbyterial Committees of Home Missions—Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., Rev. C. A. Munroe, Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Rev. D. I. Craig.

(7.) The Evangelistic Work of the Synod—Rev. Alexander Sprunt.

General discussion of the whole subject of Home Missions in the bounds of the Synod.

It was ordered that the entire time of this evening be given to carrying out the above programme.

Synod then took recess till 3:30 P. M.

Reports of Committees. Assessments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Committee to examine the records of Albemarle Presbytery, Rev. A. McFadyen, Chairman, reported recommending their approval with one exception. The report was received and adopted, and the exception ordered to be noted on the Presbyterial Records.

The Committee to examine the Minutes of the General Assembly, Rev. Roger Martin, Chairman, presented a report which was received and approved. It is as follows:

Your Committee would respectfully report that they have carefully examined the Minutes of the General Assembly, and that they find nothing requiring to be called to the special attention of this Synod, or calling for special action at this time.

The Committee to readjust the indebtedness of Albemarle Presbytery, and to re-assess all the Presbyteries, Rev. D. Munroe, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted :

1. That Albemarle Presbytery pay \$25 for the year 1889 and \$20 for the year 1890.

2. That the following be the new assessments upon the Presbyteries:

Albemarle Presbytery.....	\$20 00
Concord ".....	55 00
Orange ".....	50 00
Wilmington ".....	35 00
Fayetteville ".....	55 00
Mecklenburg ".....	65 00
	\$280 00

Rev. F. W. E. Peschau, of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, was invited to a seat as a visiting brother, and was introduced to the Synod.

Rev. C. Miller, J. Henry Smith, D. D., and Ruling Elder J. A. Gilmer were appointed a Standing Committee on the Bible Cause.

Report of Committee on Leave of Absence.

The Committee to examine the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery, Rev. S. H. Isler, Chairman, reported, recommending their approval. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Leave of Absence, Rev. C. Miller, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and approved :

Excused for absence from the Synod of 1888, Rev. W. F. Thom.

Excused for non-attendance at the last meeting of Synod—Revs. W. F. Thom, Colin Shaw and J. D. Stanford.

Excused for non-attendance at the present meeting of the Synod—Rev. P. H. Hoge, D. D., Thos. J. Allison, P. H. Dalton, H. T. Darnall, C. W. Robinson, C. M. Payne, D. D., Thos. U. Faucette, Geo. W. Belk.

Excused for late attendance at the present meeting—Rev. I. N. Campbell, W. R. Coppedge, H. G. Gillaud, W. D. Morton, D. D., D. I. Craig, Geo. W. McMillan.

The following were granted leave of absence—

After Friday Afternoon's Session—Rev. E. A. Sample.

After Friday Evening's Session—Revs. J. J. Kennedy, F. H. Johnston, D. D., L. C. Vass, D. D., J. L. Currie, C. Miller, W. D. Morton, D. D., J. B. Swann, B. F. Marable, D. D., J. M. Wharey, D. D., W. B. Arrowood, R. S. Arrowood, I. N. Campbell, A. N. Ferguson, J. S. Black, K. McDonald, N. McKay, D. D., Joseph Evans, A. Currie. Ruling Elders: J. J. Whitehurst, C. R. White, J. T. Kell, J. W. McNeill, H. C. Dixon, W. T. Bannerman, N. Johnston, J. D. McNeely, Geo. E. Wilson, J. A. Reedy, D. G. Robinson, C. E. Adams, W. W. Alexander, T. P. Pyron, J. M. Caldwell, W. J. Cromartie, I. R. Faison, J. C. Wharton, J. D. McIver.

After Thursday Evening's Session—Revs. Colin Shaw, L. Smith, W. C. C. Foster, J. D. Stanford, James McQueen, H. G. Hill, D. D.

The Committee to examine the Records of Orange Presbytery, Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Chairman, reported that they had received only a printed copy of the Minutes. The Synod decided that the "Records" were not properly before the Synod, and the report was laid on the table.

Order of the Day. Addresses. Reports of Committees.

The Order of the Day was then taken up, and the Synod was addressed by Rev. E. W. Smith on "Our Obligation to Reach the Poor of North Carolina with the Gospel, and the Best Means of Meeting this Obligation."

Rev. P. R. Law was then heard upon the second topic of the programme—"The Ministerial Qualifications for Reaching the Poor Successfully."

"Presbyterianism Suited to the Masses" was discussed by Mr. W. S. Primrose, of Raleigh, N. C.

Rev. J. Rumble, D. D., next addressed the Synod on the subject of "Lay Evangelism."

The Synod then took recess until 8 o'clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

After recess the Synod met and resumed its business.

The Judicial Committee, Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, Chairman, reported that no business had come into their hands. The report was received and the Committee discharged.

The Committee to examine the Records of Concord Presbytery, Rev. G. A. Wilson, Chairman, reported, recommending their approval. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on the Report of the Trustees of Synod, Rev. T. P. Barclay, Chairman, reported, recommending the approval of the report. This report was received and adopted.

After devotional exercises the Synod was addressed by Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., on "The Necessity and Powers of the Evangelist."

Rev. Alexander Sprunt then addressed the Synod on "The Evangelistic Work of the Synod."

Election of Evangelist. Report on Systematic Beneficence.

At the conclusion of these addresses a subscription in cash and pledges was made to place another Synodical Evangelist in the field, which amounted to \$1,973.76.

Rev. Egbert W. Smith, of Orange Presbytery, was unanimously elected Synodical Evangelist.

Synod united in singing the Long Metre Doxology in grateful acknowledgement to God for His rich blessing.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence, Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D., Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and approved :

"All the six (6) Presbyteries of the Synod sent up reports on this subject, and from these reports it appears that the churches in the bounds of Synod contributed to the general objects as follows, for the year ending March 31st, 1890.

Of the 274 churches in the Synod, 219 reported.

189	Churches contributed to Sustentation.....	\$ 9,386 06
188	“ “ “ Evangelistic Fund.....	8,413 28
136	“ “ “ Invalid Fund.....	1,059 21
188	“ “ “ Foreign Missions.....	15,851 93
169	“ “ “ Education.....	4,568 07
135	“ “ “ Publication.....	772 91
104	“ “ “ Tuscaloosa Institute.....	562 80
11	“ “ “ Church Erection.....	624 00
80	“ “ “ Miscellaneous	14,594 00
Total.....		\$55,832 26

Which is \$13,623 69 more than the amount reported the year previous.

One Presbytery only (Albemarle) reports a separate collection for Church Erection.

One Presbytery (Fayetteville) reports nothing under the head of Miscellaneous.

No Presbytery reports collection for the Bible Cause."

The Committee appointed in reference to the Church of Chapel Hill, Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D., Chairman, pre-

Report on Chapel Hill Statistics.

sented the following report, which was received and approved :

“That, whereas, the interest of Presbyterianism in the State, and the young men of our Church in the University, appeal with force to the sympathies and liberal support of our people throughout our bounds, and whereas, neither the church of Chapel Hill, nor the Presbytery of Orange are able alone to supply the needs of this important field, this Synod hereby especially and urgently commends the cause to all the Presbyteries under its care, that they render such aid to the support of preaching at Chapel Hill as will secure the end desired.”

The order of Synod for divine services to-morrow was rescinded.

The Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30 A. M.

Closed with prayer by Rev. Joseph Evans.

FIFTH DAY.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25TH, 1890.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod convened at 9:30 A. M. and was opened with prayer by Rev. A. McFadyen.

The Minutes of the Fourth Day's Session were read and approved.

The Stated Clerk was instructed to obtain from Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., the statistics contained in his report to the Synod, and incorporate them in the Minutes.

They are as follows :

Number of points visited.....	42
“ of Services held.....	726
“ of Confessions and renewals.....	442
Funds collected for the work.....	\$769

Report on Presbyterian Records. Report on Union Theological Seminary.

The Committee to examine the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery, Rev. J. N. H. Summerell, Chairman, reported recommending their approval, with exceptions. The report was received and the exceptions were sustained and ordered to be noted in the Presbytery's Records.

The Committee on Union Theological Seminary, Rev. J. A. Watkins, D. D., Chairman, presented a report, which was received and adopted. It is as follows:

The Annual Report of the Trustees and Directors of Union Theological Seminary is very encouraging.

To April first, the Fifth Professorship Fund had reached \$37,336.97. The financial condition of the Seminary is sound. The large and valuable library of over 14,000 volumes receives additions yearly. It is gratifying to note the continued increase in the number of students. Seventy were enrolled last session; about the largest number ever reached in the history of the Seminary.

While the institution is on a sound financial basis, more money is needed. The Seminary building is insufficient to accommodate the students, and effort must be made to meet this necessity.

Your Committee recommend that Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., and Rev. J. W. Primrose, D. D., be re-elected as Directors. The Committee also recommend that Mr. Goe. E. Wilson, of Charlotte, be elected in the place of Rev. R. C. Reed, who could not be seated because he was a Minister, the Constitution requiring an Elder.

The Committee offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Synod urges upon all the Ministers of the Presbyteries to press upon the young men of their charges the duty of consecrating themselves to the work of the Lord, and lay upon their consciences the obligation of greater liberality in the matter of support of the cause of Education."

The unfinished business was then taken up, viz: The report of the Synodical Commission. After further discussion the report was adopted.

A Committee, consisting of Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D., Rev. C. A. Munroe and Judge J. A. Gilmer, was appointed

Regents for Orphans' Home. Address to the Churches.

to nominate the Regents contemplated in the first part of the above report, and also to nominate the Committee on "Church and Christian Education" contemplated in the second part of the same report.

The Committee to nominate Regents for the Orphans' Home, Rev. B. F. Marable, D. D., Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted :

Mr. S. H. Wiley, in the place of Gov. D. G. Fowle; Rev. W. R. McLelland, in the place of Rev. D. D. McBryde; Hon. A. Leazar, in the place of Hon. A. M. Scales. Term expires 1894.

The Committee to prepare an Address to the Churches on the State of Religion, Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., Chairman, presented a report, which was received and adopted. It was ordered that this "Address" be sent to the *North Carolina Presbyterian*, with request for publication, and that it be read to all our congregations. It is as follows :

The Synod of North Carolina to the Churches within its Bounds :

Grace be unto you and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Beloved brethren, we greet you heartily in the Lord, from this Assembly of representatives of our widely extended Church in our beloved State: And the first thought that arises as we begin this letter, is the hearty wish that all our Ministers, Ruling Elders and Deacons and members could have heard the interesting proceedings of this body as the great subjects especially of Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Education and Publication engaged our attention. An entire day was appropriated to Foreign Missions, and most instructive and interesting facts were stated and stirring appeals were made, to which we listened with deep emotion and some of us with self reproach for our neglect and unfaithfulness. A day was appropriated also to Home Missions, and reports from our evangelists, and addresses on our obligation to spread the gospel throughout our State, and on the duty of reaching the poor, and on the kindred topics, which were of unusual—even *unprecedented* power upon the Synod and the congregation that listened, and before we adjourned that night, about two thousand dollars additional were personally

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pledged for the support of another Synodical Evangelist for our State. We think that the present meeting of Synod, will be admitted by all to be one of the best and most encouraging ever held, and that it will mark an era in our North Carolina Church for progress and blessing in the matter of spreading the gospel at home and abroad. The important causes, too, of Education and of Publication, received earnest attention. One great thought was at the bottom of all this awakened interest—it was that Christ Jesus bought us with his blood and *we are not our own* and the feeling of the duty and the privilege of *consecration*, personal consecration of ourselves and our money to the spread of the gospel. We were made to feel that our Saviour measures the gifts of his people by the personal sacrifice they represent. We earnestly pray that these impressions of truth and duty may abide in our memories and hearts, may be carried home to our congregations, may be exemplified in the future conduct of our Ministers and Elders, and may be diffused all through our entire membership.

The narratives of the State of Religion in our several Presbyteries (six in number) sent up to this Synod, are upon the whole encouraging. The narrative from Mecklenburg Presbytery is especially gratifying. All the Presbyteries report an increased spirit of liberality, and aggressive movements to spread the gospel and extend the Church within their several bounds. We are sorry, however, to learn that family worship is, to a lamentable extent, neglected in many professing Christian households, and that the Sabbath is not observed as sacredly as it used to be even in our Presbyterian communities. We would affectionately warn you against these evils and especially against the insidious and often unsuspected sin and danger of worldliness and *covetousness* which the Spirit of God affirms to be idolatry. Even the heathen have a story that suggests to us a solemn warning. The eagle that stole the sacrificial meat from the altar, carried with that meat live coal adhering, that set fire to its own nest and destroyed its young eaglets; we fear that some Christian homes are in similar danger from a similar cause.

Finally, brethren, watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong; let all your things be done in love,—always abound in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labours are not in vain in the Lord.

The Agent of Publication, Rev. Egbert W. Smith, pre-

Report of Committee on Statistical Reports.

sented his annual report, which was received] and adopted. (Appendix D.)

The resolutions contained in the report are as follows :

1st. That Synod pass a resolution expressing its high sense of the faithfulness and diligence of Brother Towles in the Colportage work, and invoking upon him the continued blessing of God in this important branch of the Master's service in which he is engaged.

2nd. That Synod urge all its pastors and Sessions to co-operate with our Colporteur by giving him aid in every possible way; as by announcing his coming, commending him to the people, and extending to him hospitality and entertainment while he is with them, remembering that every dime saved to the Colporteur is a dime saved to the Cause.

3rd. That Synod lay upon the consciences of its pastors and Sessions the duty of presenting this Publication Cause to their congregations, as one of the most important branches of our Home Mission work.

The Committee on Statistical Reports from the Presbyteries, Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted :

1. The number of Ministers in Orange Presbytery is 17, Concord 25, Fayetteville 23, Wilmington 14, Mecklenburg 33, Albemarle 15. Total 127.

2. The number of Churches in Orange Presbytery is 39, Concord 49, Fayetteville 67, Wilmington 39, Mecklenburg 59, Albemarle 22. Total 275.

3. The number of Licentiates in Orange Presbytery is 3, Concord 1, Fayetteville 0, Wilmington 0, Mecklenburg 2, Albemarle 1. Total 7.

4. The number of candidates in Orange Presbytery is 11, Concord 12, Fayetteville 16, Wilmington 6, Mecklenburg 14, Albemarle 5. Total 64.

5. The number of communicants in Orange Presbytery is 3,721, Concord 4,517, Fayetteville 7,025, Wilmington 2,515, Mecklenburg 6,755, Albemarle 1,575. Total 26,188.

6. The aggregate of funds raised in Orange Presbytery the past year is \$41,684, increase of \$1,126; Concord \$26,277, increase of \$2,912; Fayetteville \$20,393, increase of \$1,991; Wilmington \$30,792, increase \$4,468; Mecklenburg \$58,390, increase \$9,992; Albemarle \$13,929, increase \$1,868. Total \$191,472; increase over last year \$22,659.

 Report of Committee on Statistical Reports.

7. The number added to the church in Orange Presbytery is 429, Concord 358, Fayetteville 1,320, Wilmington 191, Mecklenburg 808, Albemarle 221. Total 3,227.

8. Ministers received by Orange Presbytery 3, Concord 3, Mecklenburg 6, Albemarle 1. Total 13.

9. Ministers transferred by Orange Presbytery 5, Concord 4, Fayetteville 3, Wilmington 1, Mecklenburg 6, Albemarle 0. Total 19.

10. Churches organized by Orange Presbytery 2, Concord 3, Fayetteville 2, Wilmington 1, Mecklenburg 1, Albemarle 1. Total 10.

11. The number of candidates received in Orange Presbytery 4, Concord 5, Fayetteville 5, Wilmington 2, Mecklenburg 4, Albemarle 4. Total 24.

12. Ministers deceased in Concord Presbytery 1, Fayetteville 1. Total 2.

13. Ordinations in Orange Presbytery 1, Concord 2, Fayetteville 1, Wilmington 1, Mecklenburg 5, Albemarle 1. Total 11.

14. Installations in Orange Presbytery 8, Concord 2, Fayetteville 2, Wilmington 3, Mecklenburg 8, Albemarle 1. Total 24.

15. Dissolutions of Pastoral relations in Orange Presbytery 2, Concord 2, Fayetteville 1, Wilmington 0, Mecklenburg 5, Albemarle 1. Total 10.

16. Licensures in Orange Presbytery 0, Concord 1, Fayetteville 0, Wilmington 0, Mecklenburg 4, Albemarle 1. Total 6.

17. Ministers in charge of churches :

Orange—17 Ministers in charge of 32 churches, 14 Pastors, 1 Stated Supply, no Evangelists, 3 Licentiates, 1 Foreign Missionary, 7 vacant churches; average salary paid ministers \$752.

Concord—17 Ministers in charge of 28 churches, 12 Pastors, 5 Stated Supplies, 2 Evangelists, 1 Licentiate, 1 Foreign Missionary, 17 vacant churches; average salary \$752.

Fayetteville—23 Ministers in charge of 67 churches, 12 Pastors, 8 Stated Supplies, 1 Evangelist, 3 vacant churches; average salary \$969.

Wilmington—14 Ministers in charge of 39 churches, 7 Pastors, 4 Stated Supplies, 3 Evangelists, average salary \$689.

Mecklenburg—24 Ministers in charge of 50 churches, 11 Pastors, 18 Stated Supplies, 2 Evangelists, 1 Foreign Missionary, 9 vacant churches; average salary \$755.

Report of Agent of Sabbath Schools.

Albemarle—11 Ministers in charge of 20 churches, 7 Pastors, 8 Stated Supplies, 4 Evangelists, 1 Licentiate, 2 vacant churches; average salary \$758.

Total in the Synod 106 Ministers in charge of 236 churches, 63 Pastors, 44 Stated Supplies, 12 Evangelists, 5 Licentiates, 3 Foreign Missionaries, 39 vacant churches, average salary \$779 $\frac{1}{2}$.

18, Number and value of manses in Orange Presbytery, 11, worth \$30,000; Concord 14, worth \$22,900; Fayetteville 2, worth \$5,500; Wilmington 2, worth \$10,000; Mecklenburg 20, worth \$38,000; Albemarle 9, worth \$23,000. Total in the Synod, 58 manses, valued at \$129,400.

19. Number of counties in which there is no Presbyterian church or minister: Orange 5, Concord 3, Fayetteville 0, Wilmington 1, Mecklenburg 3, Albemarle 14. Total 26.

Time and place of next meeting—

Orange—Winston, N. C., October 8th, 1890.

Concord—Bethesda Church, Thursday before 2d Sabbath April, 1891.

Fayetteville—Laurel Hill Church, Thursday before 2d Sabbath April, 1891.

Wilmington—Black River Chapel, 1st April, 1891.

Mecklenburg—Union Church, April, 1891.

Albemarle—Tarboro, April 10th, 1891.

The Synodical Agent of Sabbath Schools, Rev. A. R. Shaw, presented his annual report, which was received and approved. (Appendix D.)

The following recommendation contained in the report was adopted :

“That the present inefficiency of Presbyterial Sabbath School Agents is due largely to the magnitude of the work to be performed by a very limited number of workers, we, therefore, recommend that Synod urge the Presbyteries to empower their Sabbath School Agents to appoint as many sub-agents for their respective Presbyteries as they may deem necessary for the successful prosecution of this work; the said sub-agents to labor under the direction of the Presbyterial Agents.”

Report of Agent of Education.

The following resolution was offered, and adopted by a rising vote :

“Resolved, That Synod expresses its regret that time did not admit of a fuller discussion of the subject of “Lay Evangelism,” so that speakers could have been heard on both sides of the subject.”

The Agent of Education, Rev. W. R. McLelland, presented his report, which was received and adopted. (Appendix D.)

The following resolutions of the General Assembly were incorporated as part of this report and adopted .

(1.) That in view of the growing demand upon the Education Fund, vigorous and united effort be made to raise at least \$25,000 for this cause during the present year, and that this sum be apportioned among the Presbyteries by the Committee, and among the Churches by their respective Presbyteries.

(2.) That the attention of the Presbyteries be urgently called to the fact that twelve of our candidates receiving aid through our Committee have been pursuing their studies in Seminaries outside of our bounds. Eleven hundred dollars were thus expended last year. The tendency indicated by this fact deserves the serious and careful consideration of the Presbyteries, and we counsel that they take more watchful, and, if need be, *authoritive* oversight of their Candidates in their course of preparation for the ministry.

(3.) That the observance of the fourth Thursday of February as the day of prayer for the youth in our schools and colleges, and the setting apart of the first Sabbath of November, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the purpose of instructing the people in reference to this whole subject, be again commended as of importance and value in creating greater interest in the education of young men for the ministry, and in turning the attention of the male members of our churches to the obligation to preach the gospel.

Rev. R. C. Beaman, of the M. E. Church, South, was invited to sit as a visiting brother, and was introduced to the Synod.

The Committee to nominate Regents contemplated in the

Statistical Report of Synod.

Report of the Synodical Commission, Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D., Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted :

We recommend as Regents from this Synod of the proposed Presbyterian University, Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., Rev. John S. Watkins, D. D., Maj. R. Bingham. Alternates, in the order named : Rev. P. H. Hoge, D. D., Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., and Judge T. B. Womack.

The same Committee also recommended the following as the Committee on "Church and Christian Education," contemplated in the second part of the Commission's Report :

Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., and Geo. E. Wilson, Esq.

The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to the General Assembly, which was received, approved and ordered to be sent to the General Assembly. It is as follows:

The Synod of North Carolina respectfully reports to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, that it consists of six Presbyteries, and that these consist, in whole, of one hundred and twenty-seven ministers, and two hundred and seventy-five churches, having under their care seven licentiates and sixty-four candidates, viz. :

PRESBYTERIES.	MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	LICENTI- ATES.	CAN- DIDATES.
Orange.....	17	39	3	11
Concord.....	25	49	1	12
Fayetteville.....	23	67	...	16
Wilmington.....	14	39	...	6
Mecklenburg.....	33	59	2	14
Albemarle.....	15	22	1	5
Total.....	127	275	7	64

The Synod further reports that its next Stated meeting will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Durham, N. C., on Tuesday, November 10th, 1891, at 7:30 o'clock, P. M.

By order of Synod.

J. ALSTON RAMSAY, *Stated Clerk.*

Resolution of Thanks.

The report of the Committee on Parochial Instruction was taken from the Docket and referred to the Committee on Church and Christian Education.

The following resolution was offered and adopted by a rising vote :

“*Resolved*, That the Synod of North Carolina does hereby tender its hearty thanks to the members of the Presbyterian churches and the citizens of Wilmington for the hospitable entertainment and various courtesies extended during its Session; to the officers of the different churches for the offer of their houses of worship; to the city papers for their accurate reports of its proceedings, and to the several rail road and steamboat lines that allowed reduction of fare. The Synod would desire to make special mention for the labors of Mrs. W. Frank Williams for the very accurate reports which she has furnished the daily papers, and would tender special thanks to her for her untiring labors during the Sessions.”

The Committee on Leave of Absence presented the following additional report, which was received and approved:

Excused for late attendance at the present meeting: Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D.

Excused for non-attendance at last meeting of Synod—Rev. Egbert W. Smith.

Excused for non non-attendance at present meeting—Rev. R. W. Boyd.

The following were granted leave of absence after Friday evening's session—Rev. Roger Martin, and Ruling Elders L. D. Heartt, N. Shaw and J. W. McNeill.

The report of the Committee on the *North Carolina Presbyterian* was placed on the docket for consideration at the next meeting of the Synod. (Minutes 1889, page 353.)

The roll was called before final adjournment.

The Minutes of the Fifth Day's Session were read and approved.

Adjournment.

The Synod then adjourned to meet in the Presbyterian Church, at Durham, N. C., on Tuesday, 10th November, 1891, at 7:30 o'clock, P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.

ALEXANDER SPRUNT, *Moderator*.

REV. A. R. SHAW, {
MR. H. C. DIXON, { *Temporary Clerks*.

A true copy from the records.

ATTEST: J. ALSTON RAMSAY, *Stated Clerk*.

APPENDIX.



APPENDIX.

A.

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF THE PRESBYTERIES.

I.—ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina -

The Presbytery of Orange reports :

1.—17 Ministers ; 39 Churches ; 3 Licentiates ; 11 Candidates ; 3,721 Communicants ; forty-one thousand six hundred and eighty-four dollars (\$41,684), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1890, being \$1,126 more than was raised the year before.

2.—429 Members were added to the Churches during the year, 341 on examination, and 88 on certificate.

3.—3 Ministers were received, viz : Rev. G. A. Hough, from St. John's Presbytery, April 18th, 1889 ; Rev. W. D. Morton, from Lafayette Presbytery, October 8th, 1889 ; Rev. W. P. McCorkle, from Mecklenburg Presbytery, October 10th, 1889.

4.—5 Ministers were transferred, viz : Rev. A. L. Crawford, April 17th, to Concord Presbytery ; Rev. A. Currie, April 19th to Fayetteville Presbytery ; Rev. P. H. Dalton, August 28th, to Concord Presbytery ; Rev. S. M. Smith, D. D., August 28th, to Charleston Presbytery ; Rev. E. H. Harding, D. D., December 18th, to W. Hanover Presbytery.

5.—Churches received or organized, viz : Cann Memorial Church, April 17th, 1889, (now in Albemarle) ; Midway Church, April 17th, 1889.

6.—Churches dissolved, viz : Horeb Church, August 28th, 1889 ; Kernersville, August 28th, 1889.

7.—1 Licentiate received, viz : Mr. J. B. Swann, August 28th, 1889, from Mecklenburg Presbytery.

8.—Licentiates transferred—none.

Statistical Report—Concord Presbytery.

9.—4 Candidates received, viz: W. K. Forsythe, August 29th, 1889; John Wakefield, August 29th, 1889; R. L. Wharton, August 28th, 1889; H. Watson Smith, August 30th, 1889.

10.—Candidates transferred—none.

11.—1 Minister died, viz; Rev. Chas. Phillips, D. D., May 10th, 1889.

12.—1 Ordination, viz: J. B. Swann, September 28th, 1889.

13.—8 Installations, viz: Rev. J. L. Currie, June 9th, 3 churches; Rev. R. W. Culbertson, June 29th, 1889, Midway; Rev. W. F. Wilhelm, September 8th, 4 churches.

14.—Dissolutions of Pastoral Relations, viz: Rev. S. M. Smith, D. D. and Washington Church, August 28th, 1889; Rev. S. H. Chester and Hawfield and Cross Roads Churches, August 28th, 1889.

15.—Licenses—none.

16.—17 Ministers in charge of 32 Churches; 14 Pastors; 1 Stated Supply; no Evangelist; 3 Licentiates; 1 Foreign Missionary and 1 W. C.

17.—7 Churches vacant.

18.—\$752, average salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

18.—11 Manses, aggregate value, about \$30,000.

20.—No Minister or Church in 5 Counties, viz: Alleghany, Person, Surry, Stokes and Yadkin.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Winston, on 8th day of October, 1890.

By order of Presbytery :

Attest :

H. T. DARNALL.

At Graham Church, 16th day of April, 1890.

Stated Clerk.

II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina :

The Presbytery of Concord reports :

1.—25 Ministers; 49 Churches; 1 Licentiate; 12 Candidates; 4,517 Communicants; and twenty six thousand two hundred and seventy-seven dollars (\$26,277), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1890, being \$2,912 more than was raised the year before.

Statistical Report—Concord Presbytery.

2.—358 Members were added to the Churches during the year, (*a*) on examination 215; (*b*) on certificate, 143.

3.—3 Ministers were received, viz.: Dougald Munroe, April 10th, 1890, from Knoxville Presbytery; E. E. Pressly, October 13th, 1890, from 1st Presbytery of the A. R. Church, and J. P. Marion, October 13th, 1890, from Presbytery of Bethel, S. C.

4.—4 Ministers were transferred, viz.: W. H. Wilson, March 26th, 1890, to West Hanover, Va.; R. F. Campbell, June 23d, 1890, to Lexington Presbytery, Va., and C. M. Tidball, December 6th, 1889, to Dallas Presbytery, Texas; J. W. Davis, D. D., September 17th, 1890, to China, Presbytery to be formed.

5.—3 Churches received or organized, viz.: Gilwood, November 1st, 1889, and South River Presbyterian Church, September 13th, 1890; Greenlee, October —

6.—1 Church transferred, viz.: Wilkesboro to Orange Presbytery, October 11th, 1889.

7.—Licentiates received—none.

8.—Licentiates transferred—none.

9.—Candidates received, viz.: W. M. Voils, October 9th, 1889; H. R. Overcash, October 9th, 1889; W. A. Gillon, September 18th, 1890, and J. Wm. Goodman, October 13th, 1890.

10.—Candidates transferred—none.

11.—1 Minister died, viz.: R. B. Anderson, D. D., on the 3d day of December, 1889.

12.—2 ordinations, viz.: C. W. Maxwell, September 18th, 1890, and J. M. Greenlee, September 20th, 1890.

13.—2 installations, viz.: T. J. Allison, May 28th, 1890; D. Munroe, May 23d, 1890.

14.—2 Dissolutions of pastoral relations, viz.: C. M. Tidball, Concord Church (Iredell), December 6th, 1889; R. F. Campbell, Davidson College Church, June 23d, 1890.

15.—1 Licensure, viz.: C. W. Maxwell, May 15th, 1890.

16.—17 Ministers in charge of 28 Churches; 12 Pastors; 5 Stated Supplies; 2 Evangelists; 1 Licentiate; Foreign Missionaries 1.

17.—17 Churches vacant.

18.—\$752. average salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—14 manses, aggregate value \$22,900.

Statistical Report—Fayetteville Presbytery.

20.—No Minister or Church in 3 Counties, viz.: Yadkin, Mitchell and Yancy.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Bethesda, on Thursday before 2d Sabbath of April, 1891.

By order of Presbytery :

Attest :

WM. W. PHARR,

Stated Clerk.

At Prospect Church, 20th day of September, 1890.

III. FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina :

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports :

1.—23 Ministers ; 67 Churches ; no Licentiates ; 16 Candidates ; 7,025 Communicants ; and twenty thousand three hundred and ninety-three dollars (\$20,393), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31st, 1890, being \$1,991.30 more than was raised the year before.

2.—1,320 Members were added to the Churches during the year, 1,143 on examination and 177 on certificate.

3.—Ministers received—none.

4.—3 Ministers were transferred, viz : Rev. W. S. Friend, to Presbytery of Roanoke, April 16th, 1889 ; Rev. J. H. Colton, to Presbytery of Atlanta, June 4th, 1890 ; Rev. J. B. Mack, D. D., to Presbytery of Atlanta, September 24th, 1890.

5.—2 Churches were organized, viz : Midway, November 30th, 1890 ; Pocket, May 2d, 1890.

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved—none.

7.—Licentiates received—none.

8.—Licentiates transferred—none.

9.—5 Candidates received, viz : R. M. Smith, December 19th, 1889 ; M. McG. Shields, April 16th, 1890 ; Chas. E. Hodgin, April 18th, 1890 ; D. M. McIver, April 19th, 1890 ; D. J. Currie, April 19th, 1890.

10.—Candidates transferred—none.

11.—1 Minister died, viz : Rev. N. T. Bowden.

12.—1 Ordination, viz : M. N. McIver, January 8th, 1890.

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13.—2 Installations, viz: Rev. A. R. Shaw, Euphronia, May 11th, 1890; Rev. M. N. McIver, Mark's Creek, January 8th, 1890.

14.—Dissolution of Pastoral relations, viz: Rev. D.D. McBryde, Bluff Church, April 17th, 1890.

15.—Licenses—None.

16.—23 Ministers in charge of 67 Churches; 12 Pastors; 8 Stated Supplies; 1 Evangelist; no Licentiates; no Foreign Missionaries.

17.—3 Churches vacant.

18.—\$919, average Salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—2 Manses, aggregate value, \$5,500.

20.—No Minister or Church in — Counties.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Laurel Hill Church, on ... day of..... 1891.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest:

A. R. SHAW,
Stated Clerk.

At Carthage Church, 25th day of September, 1890.

IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Wilmington reports:

1.—14 Ministers; 39 Churches; no Licentiates; 6 Candidates; 2,515 Communicants; and thirty thousand seven hundred and ninety-two dollars and sixty-two cents (\$30,792.62), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1890, being \$4,468.13 more than was raised the year before.

2.—191 members were added to the Churches during the year.

3.—No Ministers were received.

4.—1 Minister was transferred, viz.: Rev. J. C. McMullen, to the Presbytery of Albemarle, by action of last Synod.

5.—1 Church received or organized, viz.: Croatan, by action of last Synod.

6.—1 Church transferred, viz.: Goldsboro, to Presbytery of Albemarle, by action of last Synod.

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7.—1 Licentiate received, viz.: Letcher Smith, October 16th, 1890.

8.—1 Licentiate transferred, viz.: Neal L. Anderson, October 16th, 1890.

9.—2 Candidates received, viz.: George M. Mathis, April 17th, 1890, and Byron Currie Clark, October 16th, 1890.

10.—Candidates transferred—none.

11.—Ministers died—none.

12.—1 ordination, viz.: Letcher Smith, October 17th, 1890.

13.—3 installations, viz.: Rev. P. McIntyre, Duplin Road Church, November 25th, 1889, and Grove Church, November 26th, 1889; Rev. A. McFadyen, Bladenboro Church, May 13th, 1890.

14.—Dissolution of Pastoral relations—none.

15.—Licensures—none

16.—14 Ministers in charge of 39 Churches; 7 Pastors; 4 Stated Supplies; 3 Evangelists; no Licentiates.

17.—Churches vacant—none.

18.—\$689.91, average salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—2 manses, aggregate value \$10,000.

20.—No Minister or Church in 1 county, viz.: Brunswick.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Black River Church on 1st day of April, 1891.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest:

A. McFADYEN,
Stated Clerk.

At Oakplain Church, on 17th day of October, 1890.

V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg reports:

1—33 Ministers; 59 Churches; 2 Licentiates; 14 Candidates; 6,755 Communicants; and fifty-eight thousand three hundred ninety dollars (\$58,390) aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31st, 1890, being \$9,992 more than was raised the year before.

2.—808 Members were added to the Churches during the year, 477 on examination, and 331 on certificate.

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3.—6 Ministers were received, viz: Frank D. Hunt, ordained November 2d, 1889; R. S. Brown, from Maryland Presbytery, April 24th, 1890; J. B. Cochran, ordained May 9th, 1890; Jno. W. Moore, ordained May 15th, 1890; D. F. Sheppard, and R. E. Henderlite, ordained May 27th, 1890.

4.—6 Ministers were transferred, viz: S. T. Martin, Abington Presbytery, April 24th, 1890; W. H. Davis, Roanoke Presbytery, May 27th, 1890; S. H. Spencer, Western District, July 31st, 1890; A. G. Buckner, West Lexington, July 31st, 1890; R. D. Perry, Atlanta Presbytery, July 31st, 1890; R. E. Henderlite, Enoree Presbytery, October 9th, 1890.

5.—1 Church organized, viz: Graham Street, Charlotte, March 2d, 1890.

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved—none.

7.—2 Licentiates received, viz: J. B. Cochran, from First Presbytery, A. R. Synod, of South, November 26th, 1889; D. F. Sheppard, from Savannah Presbytery, May 27th, 1890.

8.—1 Licentiate transferred, viz: E. L. Siler to Central Presbytery Texas, May 15th, 1890.

9.—4 Candidates received, viz: R. J. Hunter, November 26th, 1889; Jos. D. Taylor, colored, December 26th, 1889; John Yandle, April 24th, 1890; L. A. Oates, July 31st, 1890.

10.—Candidates transferred—none.

11.—Ministers died—none.

12.—5 Ordinations, viz: F. D. Hunt, November 2d, 1889; J. B. Cochran, May 9th, 1890; John W. Moore, May 15th, 1890; D. F. Sheppard, May 27th, 1890; R. E. Henderlite, May 27th, 1890.

13.—8 Installations, viz: R. C. Reed, Second Church, Charlotte, October 6th, 1889; Frank D. Hunt, Hendersonville, half time, November 3d, 1889; Mills River, half time, November 8th, 1889; J. B. Cochran, Mallard Creek, May 9th, 1889; D. F. Sheppard, Swannanoa Church, half time, May 27th, 1890; C. W. Robinson, Graham Street, Charlotte, June 22d, 1890; W. B. Arrowood, Sharon, three-fourths time, May 30th, 1890; Jesse W. Siler, Shelby, half time, May 29th, 1890; Jesse W. Siler, Rutherfordton, half time, May 30th, 1890.

14.—4 Dissolutions of Pastoral relations, viz: Philadelphia Church and W. B. Arrowood, April 24th, 1890; Monroe Church and C. W.

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Robinson, May 27th, 1890; Wadesboro and Mouroe Churches and A. G. Buckner, July 31st, 1890.

15.—4 Licensures, viz: Luther A. Oates, July 31st, 1890; Jno. W. Moore, May 15th, 1890; E. L. Siler, May 15th, 1890; J. S. Morrow, colored, October 10th, 1890.

16.—24 Ministers in charge of 50 Churches; 11 Pastors; 18 Stated Supplies; 2 Evangelists; no Licentiates; 1 Foreign Missionary.

17.—9 Churches vacant.

18.—\$755 average Salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—20 Manses, aggregate value, \$38,000.

20.—No Minister or Church in 3 Counties, viz: Madison, Jackson and Graham.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Union Church, on ... day of April, 1891.

By order of Presbytery :

Attest :

R. Z. JOHNSTON,

Stated Clerk.

At Hendersonville Church, 10th day of October, 1890.

VI.—ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina :

The Presbytery of Albemarle reports :

1.—15 Ministers; 22 Churches; 1 Licentiate; 5 Candidates; 1,575 Communicants; and thirteen thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine dollars (\$13,929), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31st, 1890, being \$1,868 more than was raised the year before.

2.—221 Members were added to the Churches during the year.

3.—1 Minister was received, viz.: Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D, from Orange Presbytery, August 20th, 1890.

4.—Ministers transferred—none.

5.—1 Church reorganized—LaGrange.

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved—none.

7.—1 Licentiate received, viz.: Edward Mack, November 20th, 1889, from Bethel.

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8.—Licentiates transferred—none.

9.—4 Candidates received, viz.: Jno. L. Hale, February 11th, 1890; Geo. A. Sparrow, February 13th, 1890; James Wallace Smith, February 27th, 1890; James Thomas, August 21st, 1890.

10.—1 Candidate transferred, viz.: F. D. Thomas, June 13th, 1890, to Lafayette Presbytery.

11.—Ministers died—none.

12.—1 ordination, viz.: Edward Mack, November 22d, 1889.

13.—1 installation, viz.: Edward Mack, over Washington Church, December 10th, 1889.

14.—2 Dissolutions of Pastoral relations, viz.: Rev. J. M. Atkinson, D. D., and Raleigh 2d Church, February 27th, 1890; Edward Mack and Washington Church, February 15th, 1890.

15.—1 Licensure, viz.: Geo. A. Sparrow, February 13th, 1890.

16.—11 Ministers in charge of 20 Churches, 7 Pastors; 3 Stated Supplies; 4 Evangelists; 1 Licentiate. (Several are Pastors or Stated Supplies, and Evangelists *too*.)

17.—2 Churches vacant.

18.—\$758, average salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—9 manses, aggregate value \$23,000.

20.—No Minister or Church in 14 counties, viz.: Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Green, Hertford, Hyde, Northampton, Pamlico, Perquimans, Tyrrell, Washington. (A Church *building* in Franklin, in Pitt, in Martin, but no *organization*.)

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Tarboro Church, on 10th day of April, 1891.

By order of Presbytery :

Attest :

J. N. H. SUMMERELL,

Stated Clerk.

At Oakland Church, 21st day of August, 1890.

Report on Systematic Beneficence—Orange Presbytery.

B.

REPORT OF PRESBYTERIES ON SYSTEMATIC
BENEFICENCE.

I.—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31st, 1890:

1.—37 Churches contributed to Sustentation.....	\$ 759 00
2.—36 " " " Evangelistic Fund.....	839 00
3.—27 " " " Invalid Fund.....	173 00
4.—35 " " " Foreign Missions.....	1612 00
5.—37 " " " Education	346 00
6.—28 " " " Publication.....	108 60
7.— " " " Colportage (included in Pub'n)	
8.—21 " " " Tuskaloosa Institute.....	81 00
9.— " " " Bible Cause.....	
10.—13 " " " Miscellaneous	784 00
Total	\$4902 00

Being \$3,791 less than was raised the year before. Thirty-eight Churches reported, and sixteen of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and thirty-seven to one or more of them. One Church made no report

(In considering the decrease in these contributions the fact must be remembered that during the year Orange Presbytery has been divided. Part of the contributions were made before the division, the balance since.—CLERK.)

By order of Presbytery :

Attest :

H. T. DARNALL,

At Graham Church, 19th day of April, 1890.

Stated Clerk.

Report on Systematic Beneficence—Concord and Fayetteville Presbyteries.

II.—PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

The Presbytery of Concord respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31st, 1890:

1.—25 Churches contributed to Sustentation.....	\$ 666 00
2.—30 " " " Evangelistic Fund.....	1087 00
3.—22 " " " Invalid Fund.....	129 00
4.—32 " " " Foreign Missions.....	2492 00
5.—28 " " " Education	600 00
6.—23 " " " Publication.....	75 00
7.— " " " Colportage.....	
8.—17 " " " Tuskaloosa Institute.....	71 00
9.— " " " Bible Cause.....	
10.—18 " " " Miscellaneous.....	778 00
Total.....	\$5898 00

Being \$924 less than was raised the year before. Thirty-three Churches reported, and twelve of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and twenty-two to one or more of them.

Fourteen Churches made no report, viz.: Troutmans, Tabor, Gilwood, Shiloh, Norwood, Lebanon, Blowing Rock, Siloam, Marion, Old Fort, Salem, Bethel, Drusilla, Glen Alpine.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest:

WILLIAM W. PHARR.,

Stated Clerk.

At Prospect Church, 18th day of September, 1890.

III.—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence, for the year ending March 31st, 1890:

1.—46 Churches contributed to Sustentation.....	\$ 357 46
2.—49 " " " Evangelistic Fund.....	1,256 86
3.—36 " " " Invalid Fund.....	154 12
4.—46 " " " Foreign Missions.....	2,533 67
5.—42 " " " Education.....	264 58
6.—36 " " " Publication.....	155 96
7.— " " " Colportage.....	

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8.—24 Churches contributed to Tuskaloosa Institute.....	90 99
9.—“ “ “ Bible Cause.....	
10.—“ “ “ Miscellaneous.....	
Total.....	\$4,813 64

Being \$718.82 more than was raised the year before. Fifty-one Churches reported, and seventeen of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and fifty-one to one or more of them. Fifteen Churches made no report.

By order of Presbytery :

Attest :

A. R. SHAW,

Stated Clerk.

At Carthage Church, 23d day of September, 1890.

IV.—PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31st, 1890:

1.—22 Churches contributed to Sustentation.....	\$ 760 60
2.—19 “ “ “ Evangelistic Fund.....	1,884 42
3.—19 “ “ “ Invalid Fund.....	189 09
4.—21 “ “ “ Foreign Missions.....	2,113 26
5.—16 “ “ “ Education.....	145 49
6.—14 “ “ “ Publication.....	102 95
7.—“ “ “ Colportage.....	
8.—14 “ “ “ Tuskaloosa Institute.....	54 81
9.—“ “ “ Bible Cause.....	
10.—10 “ “ “ Miscellaneous.....	7,552 00
Total.....	\$12,802 62

Being \$6,048.13 more than was raised the year before. Twenty-three Churches reported, and twelve of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and twenty-two to one or more of them, and sixteen Churches made no report.

By order of Presbytery :

Attest :

A. McFADYEN,

Stated Clerk.

At Oakplain Church, 17th day of October, 1890.

Report on Systematic Beneficence—Mecklenb'g and Albemarle Presbyteries.

V.—PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31st, 1890 :

1.—42 Churches contributed to Sustentation.....	\$ 64 19
2.—36 " " " Evangelistic Fund.....	29 36
3.—26 " " " Invalid Fund.....	2 78
4.—37 " " " Foreign Missions.....	61 28
5.—31 " " " Education.....	30 45
6.—20 " " " Publication.....	1 68
7.— " " " Colportage.....	
8.—17 " " " Tuskaloosa Institute.....	1 70
9.— " " " Bible Cause.....	
10.—27 " " " Miscellaneous.....	29 45
Total.....	\$ 220 89

Being — — — than was raised the year before. Fifty-four Churches reported, and ten of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and nine to one or more of them. Five Churches made no report.

Average salary paid to twenty-four Ministers, \$755.

By order of Presbytery :

Attest :

R. Z. JOHNSTON,

Stated Clerk.

At Hopewell Church, 10th day of April, 1890.

VI.—PRESBYTERY OF ALBEMARLE.

The Presbytery of Albemarle respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31st, 1890 :

1889.

1.—17 Churches contributed to Sustentation.....	\$ 424 00	\$ 340 00
2.—18 " " " Evangelistic Fund	410 00	477 00
3.— 9 " " " Invalid Fund.....	136 00	121 00
4.—17 " " " Foreign Missions..	973 00	911 00
5.—15 " " " Education.....	167 00	214 00
6.—14 " " " Publication.....	163 00	105 00
7.— " " " Colportage		

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8.—11 Churches contributed to Tuscaloosa Inst...	85 00	66 00
9.—“ “ “ Bible Cause.....		
—11 “ “ “ Church Erection...	624 00	87 00
10.—12 “ “ “ Miscellaneous.....	2,335 00	1,190 00
Total	\$5,317 00	\$3,511 00

Being \$1,806 more than was raised the year before. Twenty Churches reported, and eight of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and twenty to one or more of them. Two Churches made no report, viz.: Louisburg, LaGrange.

By order of Presbytery :

Attest :

J. N. H. SUMMERELL,

Stated Clerk.

At Raleigh First Church, 1st day of April, 1890.

C.

ANNUAL REPORT OF U. T. SEMINARY TO THE SYNOD
OF NORTH CAROLINA, BY THE TRUSTEES.

The Board of Trustees and Directors of Union Theological Seminary, Virginia, respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina as follows :

At the Sessions held on the 6th and 7th days of May, 1890, seventeen members of the Board have been present, and excuses of the absentees have been sustained as satisfactory. Seventy students have been enrolled during the Session just closing ; fifteen in the Senior class, thirty in the Middle, twenty-four in the Junior and one Post Graduate student. This is nearly the largest number in the history of the Institution, and is an increase of four over that of the past year ; and the number last year was an increase of four over the preceding year, and the indications are favorable for an enlarged number during the next session. The financial condition of the Seminary is sound, and its income has been adequate to its most pressing wants up to this time, only, however, by very economical management. There are several

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improvements that might be made, and which would add to the attractiveness and benefit of our Institution if our annual revenues were larger. This Institution is not rich, and we are in straits now really for additional funds. We would venture to call the attention of those who have means, to remember the Institution in their benefactions and their prayers. Its past history, and its present position and worth, and power for immense good to the Church, and especially at the present time, is a loud call for such remembrance, and for an enlarged liberality. We are even now in need of increased room for the comfortable accommodation of students. Our Agent for the past several years, has been successful to a gratifying extent toward procuring funds for the endowment of the Fifth Professorship. He resigned his agency on the first of November, 1889. The following statement, taken from the report of the Treasurer, shows the result of the effort for this Endowment as of the 1st of April, 1890, viz:

STATUS OF THE FIFTH PROFESSORSHIP FUND APRIL 1ST, 1890.

I. PRINCIPAL.

1884.	April 15.	Am't reported as received by Treas. Watkins,	\$ 1,547 28
1885.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	3,552 77
1885.	Oct. 1.	Am't " " " " " "	1,092 72
1886.	April 1.	Am't " " " " " Fitzgerald,	1,772 75
1887.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	2,276 95
1888.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	2,846 54
1889.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	4,428 08
1890.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	3,503 96

1. EXPENSES.

1885.	April 1.	Am't reported as paid by Treasurer Watkins,	\$ 1,800 00
1885.	Oct. 1.	Am't " " " " " "	800 00
1886.	April 1.	Am't " " " " " Fitzgerald,	900 00
1887.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	1,200 37
1888.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	1,550 00
1889.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	1,412 46
1890.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	1,519 05

1890. April 1. Total expenses paid to-date..... \$ 9,181 88

2. INVESTMENTS.

1885.	April 1.	Am't reported as invested by Treas. Watkins,	\$ 3,300 05
1887.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " Fitzgerald,	1,165 47
1888.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	2,373 12
1889.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	2,700 00
1890.	" 1.	Am't " " " " " "	580 43
1890.	" 1.	Am't " " cash on hand.....	1,720 10

\$21,021 05

\$21,021 05

1890.	April 1.	Investments made by Treasurer to date and cash on hand,	\$11,839 17
1890.	" 1.	Obligations of subscribers in hand.....	19,135 00

1890.	" 1.	Principal of Fund to yield an income.....	\$30,974 17
1890.	" 1.	Add Bouldin Fund on which Mrs. Chambliss draws in't....	5,662 80
1890.	" 1.	Add Virginia bonds yielding no interest.....	700 00

1890. " 1. Total principal of Fifth Professorship Fund,..... \$37,336 97

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Diplomas have been granted to the following thirteen members of the Senior class : R. C. Anderson, W. M. Eldridge, J. J. Harrell, David M. Hawthorne, C. W. Maxwell, B. L. Price, A. P. Sanders, E. L. Siler, Letcher Smith, C. E. Sullivan, R. L. Telford, W. McQ. Thompson, I. T. Wade, and A. G. Jones of the Middle class, making fourteen. A certificate was also given to W. T. Walker, of the Middle class, as to the portion of the course he had accomplished. The Board, in view of the manifest blessing of God upon our Seminary in the past, and on the encouraging indications of increasing numbers of students in the future, would render hearty thanksgiving to God. In view, too, of the alarming indications, in some quarters of Presbyterianism, of defection from, or a weakening adherence to, our Calvinistic standards, the Board would renew its thanksgiving to God for his special favor to this Institution, and would commend it anew to all who "hold fast the form of sound words," and would "contend earnestly for the faith once delivered unto the saints."

CHAS. WHITE, *Secretary*.

 D.

 REPORT OF AGENT OF SUSTENTATION.

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

Your agent of Sustentation would respectfully present his report. That which he judges to be of prime importance and interest is the subject of Ministerial Support.

An earnest effort has been made to elicit all the facts. The period covered embraces the year ending March 31st, 1890. Your agent has endeavored to ascertain such facts and group them in such manner as to impart information of interest. He judges that the computation of average salaries conveys no hint of the struggles of the ministry with want. An attempt has therefore been made to learn the average salary of that class whose stipends, including rent value of manse, fall below the \$900, which was the minimum sum aimed at by the sustentation

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work in its inception. We conceive that the work of sustentation has no concern with salaries above these figures.

We have, as reported by the Presbyterial Agents, 125 ministers on our rolls, 105 of whom are laboring ministers within the bounds of Synod. Those receiving \$900 and over, including rent value of manse, number fifty; those below that amount, fifty-five. The total amount received by the fifty is \$55,185, an average of \$1,103.70. The reports as to the amount cannot be absolutely accurate, as there is left only \$10,000 to be distributed among those whose salaries are not in excess of \$900. The amount received perhaps exceeds the sum reported by about \$2,500. The total amount reported as received by the fifty-five, \$34,037, an average of \$618.85. There are in the Synod thirty-two churches and groups of churches, *i. e.*, thirty-two pastorates, which are not self-supporting. At least this number, therefore, received aid in the payment of salaries. The total amount of funds for supplementing salaries was \$6,608—\$960 of which came from the General Assembly's fund. Of course a considerable portion of this sum was devoted to the support of ministers engaged in evangelistic labor. We cannot, therefore, know with accuracy the amount contributed by the churches served, to the support of ministers receiving less than \$900 annually.

The total number of communicants reported as contributing \$900 and more to the support of fifty ministers is 7,966, which gives an average of \$6.93 per communicant. A probable estimate of the average contributed by the remaining 18,223 members is \$1.50.

Let us see how the Presbyteries compare in this matter.

PRESBYTERIES.	Laboring Ministers.	Under \$900.	Aggregate.	Average.
Albemarle.....	12	5	\$ 3,798	\$ 753 60
Mecklenburg	20	18	12,950	719 44
Orange.....	15	9	5,998	666 55
Concord.....	17	10	6,222	622 20
Wilmington.....	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 $\frac{3}{4}$	2,969	388 82
Fayetteville	24	6	2,100	350 00

The average below \$900 is largest in Albemarle and smallest in Fayetteville. If the average be \$350, and the salaries unequal, of course some there are who receive much less than even this small sum. If forty received \$850 there would be nothing left for fifteen. But as a matter of fact only five receive so high an average in Albemarle as \$760. As a matter of fact only six in Fayetteville so high an average

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as \$350. I speak only of these below \$900. It is obvious that the Church has abundant cause for self-reproach.

To raise the salary of every minister to a minimum of \$900 would require in Albemarle Presbytery \$702; Mecklenburg Presbytery, \$3,250; Orange Presbytery, \$2,102; Concord Presbytery \$2,778; Wilmington Presbytery, \$4,006; Fayetteville Presbytery, \$3,300; Synod, \$16,138.

We say there is a ground for self-reproach. Often that which is finally paid is so long withheld that ministers are under the necessity of contracting debts for the necessities of life. Often, because of deferred payments, they borrow money, sometimes of members whom they serve, and pay interest on that which the Church owes them. Aged pastors are known to be cruelly deprived of a half or a third of the sums that have been solemnly pledged. Many of our members, it seems, need to be taught what be the first principle of common honesty, and many more the duty of liberality.

This deficit might be greatly reduced and the minimum of \$900 more clearly approximated. We are not prepared at this time, when so many of the Church's schemes are languishing for want of funds, and notably the cause of Foreign Missions, to recommend any new measures for the raising of money. We might copy after some of the British Churches, which I believe have attained great success. The deficit might be considerably reduced and the minimum of \$900 more clearly approximated, if the churches pay what they promise.

Secondly. Some of our churches are abundantly able to supply the whole time of a pastor. Your agent is fully aware of the poverty of the people. A good proportion of the poor and of the rich are doing their duty, giving as God has enabled them, but that proportion is much larger among the poor than among the rich. In our Southern country many of our wealthy people have as yet no conception of what is meant by serving God as he has prospered them.

Thirdly. Something might be expected should the Presbyteries themselves discourage the principle of getting most work for least pay. It is on this principle that their evangelistic work is too often conducted. A minister's work ought certain to be worth more than the unskilled manual labor. The degradation of the ministry will eventually deter able men from service as *Presbyterians*. Nor are they heretical who feel that the laborer is worthy of his hire. If the Church do not provide for its own, it will not be respected. "He that soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly."

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Other matters we mention very briefly.

There are in the Synod 59 manses, valued at \$122,250.

There are thirty-two pastorates, single and grouped, which are now self-supporting. Eighteen pastorates are vacant. Twenty new churches have been completed.

To the General Assembly's Invalid Fund the Synod contributed \$943 and derived from it \$318. In addition, Concord Presbytery, not co-operating with the Assembly, expended \$129 for this cause in its own bounds, making a total of \$447 expended within and \$625 without our bounds. The number of families and ministers helped by this fund was ten.

In conclusion, your agent would recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, 1st, That the work of Sustentation is not perfected till each laboring minister receive a minimum salary of \$900, including rent value of manse.

2d. That the Presbyteries be instructed to look more narrowly into the matter of ministerial support, and to take prompt and effectual means to stimulate the consciences of Christians to discharge their honest obligations to their pastors.

3d. That the General Assembly be overtured to append a note to its statistical forms instructing sessions to include in report of salary actually paid, the rent value of manses, owned or rented.

4th. That the Synod render aid in the support of a pastor at Chapel Hill, and that to this end a committee of three be appointed to examine and report at this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN W. PRIMROSE.

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REPORT OF AGENT OF PUBLICATION.

The contributions to this cause from the Presbyteries for the year ending April 1st, 1890, were as follows :

Albemarle.....	\$ 163
Concord.....	75
Fayetteville	124
Mecklenburg.....	168
Orange.....	110
Wilmington.....	112

As compared with last year's contributions, Concord shows a falling off of \$93; Mecklenburg a falling off of \$25; Wilmington a falling off of \$73; Fayetteville a gain of \$24; Albemarle and Orange, which last year were one Presbytery, a gain of \$74. Total for 1889, \$845. Total for 1890, \$752; showing a falling off of \$93 in Synod's contribution to Publication for 1890 as compared with 1889.

During the past year out of Albemarle's twenty-two churches only fourteen contributed to Publication; out of Concord's forty-seven only twenty three contributed; out of Fayetteville's sixty-six only thirty three contributed; out of Mecklenburg's fifty-nine only twenty contributed; out of Orange's thirty-nine only twenty-eight contributed; out of Wilmington's thirty-nine only thirteen contributed.

Under the signally efficient management of Dr. Hazen the financial condition of the Publication cause has been steadily improving year by year. There is practically no debt upon the work and the assets amount to more than \$80,000.

The sales of last year, 1890, amounted to over \$36,000, an increase of nearly forty per cent. over the sales of the previous year. Indeed, our Secretary states that while there has been a steady growth of the business of the house from the time the committee resumed business in 1883, the growth of the last year has been as great as that of the whole previous periods.

The last year has also seen a signal improvement in regard to the Sabbath-school papers of our Church. Instead of the *Children's Friend* being issued twice a month as heretofore, it is now issued four times a month, and this without increasing the subscription price of the paper, and with only a very slight reduction in its size. Since the change

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was made there has been a gain of about twenty-five per cent. in the subscription list.

The circulation of *The Earnest Worker* has increased about ten per cent., and a corresponding increase has been made in the subscription lists of the *Quarterly* and *Lesson Leaves*.

In reference to the Colportage work in our State, your agent is happy to report that in the spring the Rev. D. T. Towles, formerly in the employ of the American Bible Society, accepted the position of Synodical Colporteur for North Carolina. Mr. Towles has labored 125 days, traveled 1,375 miles, delivered 19 addresses and 15 sermons, sold \$443.26 worth of books, donated \$13.43 worth and visited 1,221 families. Dr. Hazen writes me that Brother Towles is faithful, accurate, economical and successful; and that he is as well pleased with his work as with that of any other Colporteur on his entire list.

In concluding his report your agent would offer the following recommendations:

1st. That Synod pass a resolution expressing its high sense of the faithfulness and diligence of Brother Towles in the Colportage work; and invoking upon him the continued blessing of God in this important branch of the Master's service in which he is engaged.

2d Recommendation—That Synod urge all its pastors and sessions to co-operate with our Colporteur by giving him aid in every possible way; as by announcing his coming, commending him to the people, and extending to him hospitality and entertainment while he is with them, remembering that every dime saved to the Colporteur is a dime saved to the cause.

3d Recommendation—That Synod lay upon the consciences of its pastors and sessions the duty of presenting this Publication cause to their congregations, as one of the most important branches of our Home Mission work.

Our pastors and sessions ought to be made to understand that, apart from the business of the Publication House, which has a firm basis and asks no favors, the committee is undertaking, by direction of the Assembly, a work which is strictly a missionary work in its character and purpose, and which is dependent for its success upon the contributions of the churches. We ought to have half a dozen Colporteurs in our Synod. The importance of this arm of the church for aggressive work is more understood by some other denominations, and is one

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of the open secrets of their rapid growth. I wrote to Dr. Hazen in reference to putting a second Colporteur to work in our Synod, but I found that it was impracticable because the contributions to this cause were so small that there was not enough money in sight to enable the committee to meet the expenses.

Now why is this mighty arm of denominational aggressiveness so crippled for lack of funds? Because there is no adequate conception of its importance in the minds of our people. And why is there no adequate conception of its importance in the minds of our people? Because our pastors and sessions do not give this cause the prominence it deserves, and great numbers of our congregations never hear of it at all. During the last year in Orange Presbtery out of every ten churches three omitted this cause; in Albemarle Presbytery out of every eleven churches five ignored this cause entirely; Concord and Fayetteville Presbyteries make a still worse showing, only one half their churches remembered this cause; Mecklenburg and Wilmington are still further behind in their duty, only one-third of their churches lifted a finger to aid this branch of our Home Mission work. In only one-third of their churches did the teaching and ruling elders give the people an opportunity to contribute to the Publication and Colportage work of the church.

Hence our third recommendation that Synod lay upon the consciences of all its ministers and elders the duty of presenting the claims of this cause to their congregations, as one of the most important branches of our aggressive missionary work.

EGBERT W. SMITH.

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REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Agent would respectfully submit the following report:

PRESBYTERIES.	No. on Roll.			Admitted to Communion.	Contributions for Schools.	Contributions for Beneficence.	Total.
	Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.				
Concord.....	38	396	3364	135	\$ 486 63	\$ 561 31	\$1047 94
Fayetteville.....	45	361	3367	535	779 07	439 45	1218 52
Mecklenburg.....	42	444	4169	257	1010 42	955 74	1966 16
Orange.....	33	285	2305	162	940 58	385 86	1326 44
Wilmington.....	24	208	1447	65	415 19	150 82	556 01
Albemarle.....	20	160	1138	63	430 93	147 98	578 91
Summary for 1890	202	1854	15790	1217	\$4062 82	\$2641 16	\$6703 98
Summary for 1889	198	1712	13826	632	3908 00	2243 00	6151 00
Increase.....	4	142	1964	585	154 82	398 16	552 98

Because of incomplete reports the above summary is but approximately correct. The success which has attended the prosecution of Sunday school work in our bounds during the past year should evoke sincere gratitude to God. Never perhaps in the history of our Synod have the blessings of our covenant-keeping God been so richly vouchsated. There has been progress all along the line. There are reports from two hundred and two of our schools. It is to be regretted that so many of our churches make no report.

It is worthy of note that the schools in Concord Presbytery contributed more for Beneficence than for their own expenses. It should also be noted that in the Presbytery of Fayetteville five hundred and thirty-five scholars were admitted to communion; this is nearly half the number reported by the six Presbyteries.

Very few of the schools contribute to all the benevolent objects of the Church. While many of the schools report instruction in our Catechisms, the Confession of Faith and Form of Government are sadly neglected. The literature of our Church is used to a very gratifying extent. There are no schools conducted for the colored people

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for the reason that they prefer schools under their own supervision. With very few exceptions our schools are under the direct control of their respective sessions.

SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTIONS.

These Conventions are held annually in our Presbyteries. They are frequently productive of gratifying results. Topics are discussed, methods considered, zeal quickened, enthusiasm awakened and greater concert of action secured. These conventions are under the authority and control of their respective Presbyteries.

FUNDS.

From the last report of your former agent, Dr. Vass, it will be seen that there remained in his hands a balance of \$27.32. The amount has not been expended, and as to the disposition of the same your Agent awaits the pleasure of Synod.

RESOLUTIONS.

At the last stated meeting of Synod the following resolution was adopted :

“That a committee be appointed, consisting of the various Presbyterial Agents, whose chairman shall be the Synodical Agent, to consider the question of increasing the efficacy of our Presbyterial Agents and propose a plan, to report at the next meeting of Synod.”

The committee would report the following :

“That the present inefficiency of Presbyterial Sabbath School Agents is due largely to the magnitude of the work to be performed by a very limited number of workers. We therefore recommend that Synod urge the Presbyteries to empower their Sabbath School Agents to appoint as many sub-agents for their respective Presbyteries as they may deem necessary for the successful prosecution of this work ; said sub-agents to labor under the direction of the Presbyterial Agents.”

Your Agent recommends that the *special* attention of the Presbyteries be called by Synod to the resolutions adopted by the General Assembly, page 44 of the Minutes of 1890. Respectfully submitted,

A. R. SHAW, *Synodical S. S. Agent.*

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FOREIGN MISSIONS.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AGENT OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Annual Report of the Synod's Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions was read by Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, and is as follows:

The Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions, in presenting its first annual report to the Synod, would call attention to God's blessing upon the efforts of the Church at large, and to the increase in almost every department of this work. Fourteen new missionaries were sent out in the year ending April 1st, and since then ten others have gone and two others are about to go. The receipts were \$107,627, an increase of \$11,575, and this sufficed for all expenses and left the work without debt of any kind; no persecution or other interruption of the work has been experienced; additions to the Church abroad were 360, making a total membership of 2,072, who contributed \$4,317, beside which, in Cuba and in the region of the Congo it has been given to us as a Church to plant the first Presbyterian missions. Such facts should move us to humble thanksgivings to the great Head of the Church.

Coming to the work of Foreign Missions within the bounds of our Synod, which we conceive to be our special charge, your committee would report that its work has been done by correspondence, and that it has endeavored to execute the various actions of the Synod in this interest.

In happy contrast with last year, we are able to announce that our Synod will soon have three representatives among the ordained missionaries. For years Dr. Davis, of China, has stood alone as from this Synod, but Rev. J. W. Moore has reached Japan and is on his way to Kochi, to which station he has been appointed; and Rev. J. J. Harrell will sail in a few weeks for Ceara, Brazil. In this connection your committee would call attention to the action of the last Assembly in pressing not only on theological students, but also upon our pastors and consecrated members, the duty of enlisting personally in the missionary service.

In addition to the First church of Charlotte, the Second church of Charlotte, and the First church of Wilmington, which have hitherto undertaken the support of individual missionaries, we are able to report that the church at Winston, the First church of Asheville and

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the Westminster church of Greensboro and the Laurinburg church have been pledged to support each its own missionary. The First church of Greensboro will send out two lady missionaries and the First church of Wilmington a lady missionary, in addition to its married missionary. We believe that what these churches have done can be done by a score of other churches within our bounds. Besides, a gentleman connected with the First church of Asheville has within a few weeks offered \$800 to the support of a missionary.

The table (page 475) will show the statistics of contributions from churches, societies and Sabbath schools for the year ending April 1st, as compared with the year previous. A desire having been expressed after the last Synod for more detailed reports, your committee sent blanks to all churches seeking particular information up to September 1st. These blanks have not been returned by more than one-half of the churches, and complaint is made that it is difficult to prepare a distinct synodical report. Your committee, therefore, while disposed to grant every reasonable request, is obliged to confine itself to the figures reported to the last Assembly, except when the contrary is expressly stated.

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COMPARATIVE TABLE OF STATISTICS FOR THE TWO YEARS ENDING

MARCH 30TH, 1889 AND 1890.

PRESBYTERIES.	No. of Churches in Synod.		No. of Contributing Churches.		Total of Contributions.		No. of S. S. in Bounds.		No. of Contributing S. S.		Total of S. S. Contributors.		No. of Contributing Societies.		Total Society Contributions.		Grand Total of Contributions.	
	1889	1890	1889	1890	1889	1890	1889	1890	1889	1890	1889	1890	1889	1890	1889	1890	1889	1890
Albemarle		22			21	260		14		3	48		4		248		973	
Concord		47	36	30	30	859	28	33	14	8	424	204	31	799	835	2400	2492	
Fayetteville.....	46	66	48	52	1362	1111	41	42	28	19	363	314	32	38	1142	1209	2806	
Mecklenburg	54	59	38	41	1485	1395	36	42	20	16	533	336	25	25	3019	3065	3679	
Orange	57	39	55	35	1649	1245	46	34	13	13	299	245	15	17	591	461	6128	
Wilmington.....	69	39	24	24	1356	1247	20	22	7	5	116	85	3	10	73	933	2822	
Synod.....	265	272	201	203	7050	6117	171	187	82	64	1675	1232	103	125	5624	6751	15264	
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The total reported exceeds the amount credited to the Synod by the executive committee in the sum of \$1.552. This is accounted for by the fact that miscellaneous contributions have been made and credit given in reports to the Assembly for them amounting to this sum, over and above those contributions made through the regular channels.

THE CHURCHES.

This comparative table does not present an encouraging view of our contributions. The figures are against us. The increase over the year previous is \$448, and the average per member is sixty-one cents, as against sixty-three the year previous; that is, our members gave two cents each less this year than before, notwithstanding the large increase in the demands upon us. In Mecklenburg Presbytery the average is ninety cents per member; in Wilmington, eighty-nine cents; in Concord, fifty-five cents; in Orange and Albemarle (divided during the year), forty-eight cents, and in Fayetteville thirty-two cents. The churches gave \$723 less than the year previous, although twelve more churches contributed than before. The non-contributing churches were fifty nine, seven less than the year previous. The Presbytery of Fayetteville has the largest number of contributing churches—fifty-two; the Presbytery of Albemarle has the largest proportion of contributing churches, only one church failing to make contribution; the Presbytery of Orange shows a decrease in the number of contributing churches, which is due to the erection of the Presbytery of Albemarle.

We earnestly recommend that during the current year efforts be made by pastors and sessions, not only to secure contributions from every church, but to enlarge the contributions of churches. The average per member is the real test of progress, and judged by this standard we have declined in our interest.

It is with great regret that your committee announces a falling off of 1,000 names in the subscription of *The Missionary* in this Synod. There is danger lest this useful periodical become again a charge upon the central treasury, and also lest our people, losing the fresh and stimulating intelligence it conveys, shall also lose their interest in the cause it represents.

We would invite the attention of the Synod to the need of special services in our churches for the consideration of this great work. We believe that the monthly concert of prayer will be found very helpful, and we recommend the "simultaneous meetings," which other

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Synods have used with great profit to the churches and to the work at large.

SUBORDINATE AGENCIES.

Sabbath Schools in the assembly to the number of 549 contributed during the year \$9,040—an increase of fifty-two in the number of schools, but in the bounds of our Synod, although eighteen schools have been organized, the number of contributing schools is sixteen less than the year preceding, and a corresponding decrease of \$410 in the total. Since April 1st, we learn upon private enquiry, contributions have been received from forty of our schools amounting to \$830, \$300 of which is the result of Children's Day on which thirty schools made contributions.

We are of the opinion that many of our schools could be induced to undertake the support of individual pupils in our mission schools in foreign lands, or to contribute annually a definite sum to this cause, and we would urge the observance of Children's Day as a means of developing an increased interest and of enlarging the gifts of the children of the Church.

In the Church at large 578 missionary societies contributed during the year, being 41 more than the year previous. These contributions aggregated \$27,855. Within our Synod 125 societies, as against 103 reported last year contributed \$6,751, an increase of \$1,127. Since April 1st we learn that eighty societies have contributed \$3,300. Of this increase \$860 is from the societies in the Presbytery of Wilmington. As a rule we find that churches within which societies exist, show the largest contributions to the cause.

Your committee is of opinion that recent discussions have cleared away much of the misunderstanding which have impeded the successful operation of this valuable agency; on the one hand it is seen that the society is but a means of enlarging the activity of the Church, and so is deserving the recognition and endorsement of the Church through her courts, and on the other hand, it is to be noted that these societies express no reluctance to be controlled by the courts of the Church or a desire to establish themselves independently of her authority. At the same time an impression exists, particularly among her devout women, that their work has not received the support, and in some cases, even the sanction of our Church courts, and they are embarrassed by the apparent conflict between their zeal in the Master's cause and their loyalty to the authority of

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His body, the Church. We submit, therefore, that a clear and positive deliverance of this body as to the nature and the limits of womanly activity in this cause would be timely. We believe that such a deliverance would guide in proper channels all of this activity and avert the danger now impending of a diversion of the zeal of our women to other and extra ecclesiastical channels. We therefore call attention to the recent action of Albemarle Presbytery in authorizing a presbyterial union of its Christian women, and would submit that with four such presbyterial organizations, viz: Mecklenburg, Wilmington, Fayetteville and Albemarle, it is time for Synod to define the sphere and extent of these subordinate agencies.

 EDUCATION.

REPORT OF THE AGENT OF EDUCATION OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

In offering this report, the indulgence of the Synod is asked for its brevity and meagerness, which the short notice and want of means of exact information for its preparation, enforce.

The cause of Education, is perhaps, second in its importance to no other under the care of our Church. Its work is fundamental in its place and character, and as the work and demands of the other causes widen and increase, its importance is enhanced, for the laborers needed for the progressive work of the Church are largely furnished by this means.

There are sixty-five candidates for the ministry under the care of your Presbyteries, in different stages in their course of preparation. This number is five more than the number reported last year. Albemarle has under its care five, Concord twelve, Fayetteville sixteen, Mecklenburg fourteen, Orange twelve, Wilmington six. Your Synod stands as third in the number of candidates, in proportion to the communicants.

From the reports on Systematic Beneficence, it appears that 169 churches have contributed to the general cause of Education \$4,568. Of this amount, Albemarle contributed \$167, Concord \$600, Fayetteville \$265, Mecklenburg \$3,045, Orange \$346, Wilmington \$145. This appears to include contributions for all educational purposes. Though we have no means of exact information at command, it is most prob-

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able that not more than \$2,000 have been contributed to the special object of the Church, the education of candidates for the ministry. This sum is less than one-twelfth of the amount asked for by the General Assembly, while the number of your candidates is more than one-fourth of the whole number aided by their committee during last year. In view of these facts, and the urgent demands of this cause, the consideration of Synod is earnestly called to the recommendations one, two and three of the last Assembly in the report of the standing committee of Education, page forty-two of minutes, and your Presbyteries are respectfully urged to put these recommendations into execution. (Which see as part of this report.)

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. McLELLAND,
Agent.

REPORT OF AGENT OF EVANGELISTIC LABOR.

After diligent inquiry of the Chairman of the Presbyterian Committees of Home Missions and efforts made in other ways to set before the Synod a fair representation of the condition of the territory in the borders of this Synod, from an evangelistic standpoint, the following facts and observations are respectfully presented.

(The statistics herein contained as to population are the statistics of 1880, unless otherwise stated.)

ORANGE PRESBYTERY

contains fourteen counties, as follows, viz: Alamance 15,000, Alleghany 5,000, Ashe 14,000, Caswell, 18,000, Davidson 20,000, Durham—Forsythe 18,000, Guilford 24,000, Orange 24,000, Person 14,000, Rockingham 22,000, Stokes 15,000, Surry 15,000, Wilkes 19,000. Total population 223,346.

Four of these counties have no Presbyterian church in their borders, viz: Alleghany 5,000, Ashe 14,000, Person 14,000, Stokes 15,000—58,000. In four others there is to be found but one church each, viz: Durham —, Forsythe 18,000, Surry 15,000, Wilkes 19,000. There are thirty-nine churches in the Presbytery; seventeen ordained ministers and 3,832 communicants.

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No new churches were organized during the past year. Two new church buildings were erected during the past year at Durham and Winston, both handsome structures.

There is no evangelist in the Presbytery. Two ministers are engaged in evangelistic work. Eight feeble churches are supplied, and two stations. There are two vacant fields, and four fields additional needing supplies.

It is considered that \$1,000 is needed to conduct efficiently the evangelistic work of the Presbytery as now shaped. Rev. D. I. Craig, of Reidsville, is agent of Home Missions.

CONCORD PRESBYTERY

contains fourteen counties, viz: Alexander 8,000, Burke 13,000, Cabarrus 15,000, Caldwell 10,000, Catawba 15,000, Davie 11,000, Iredell 23,000, McDowell 10,000, Mitchell 9,000, Rowan 20,000, Stanley 11,000, Watauga 8,000, Yadkin 12,000, Yancey 8,000—184,000. Two of these counties have no Presbyterian church. Mitchell 9,000 and Yancey 8,000.

In two others there is but one Presbyterian church each; Caldwell 10,000 and Watauga 8,000.

There are forty-seven churches in the Presbytery; twenty-two ministers; 4,517 communicants. Two churches were organized during the past year and one building erected, and two in process of erection.

There is no evangelist in the Presbytery; but nine ministers do evangelistic work, supplying twelve feeble churches and five stations. There are five vacant fields, but no evangelistic field is vacant. The sum of \$1,250 is needed to accomplish work already shaped.

Rev. C. A. Munroe, Lenoir, N. C., is chairman of the Presbytery's Committee of Home Missions.

FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY

contains eight counties, viz: Chatham 23,000, Cumberland 24,000, Harnett 11,000, Montgomery 9,000, Moore 17,000, Randolph 21,000, Richmond 18,000, and Robeson 24,000—147,000.

None of these counties are without a Presbyterian church, and in none of these is there only one church. Montgomery is the only county in the Presbytery with two churches only.

There are in the Presbytery twenty-six ministers, sixty six churches and 7,035 communicants. Two churches were organized in the past year and two buildings erected.

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There is one evangelist in the Presbytery whose whole time is given to evangelistic work ; but most of their pastors do evangelistic work at outlying stations in their own charges. Their vacant churches, as a general rule, have been supplied during the summer months by theological students. There are three vacant fields in the Presbytery which could support a pastor and should be supplied at once. There was contributed to the Presbytery for evangelistic work in its own bounds \$2,000, and by vacant fields for the services of theological students during the summer months, \$350. The Presbytery needs and expects to raise some \$2,000 for their evangelistic work, and for aiding feeble churches.

The Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., is chairman of the Presbytery's Committee of Home Missions.

WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

contains ten counties, viz.: Bladen 16,000, Brunswick 9,000, Carteret 10,000, Columbus 14,000, Duplin 19,000, Jones 7,000, New Hanover 21,000, Onslow 10,000, Pender 12,000, Sampson 23,000—143,000, and a part of Wayne 25,000 and part of Lenoir 15,000, and part of Craven 19,000.

Brunswick, 9,000, is the only county in the Presbytery without a Presbyterian church. Columbus, 14,000, and Sampson, 23,000, have two each. Lenoir county has one church in Wilmington Presbytery and one in Albemarle Presbytery. There are thirteen ministers, thirty-nine churches, and 2,485 communicants in the Presbytery. One church was organized during the past year at Bladenboro, and four church buildings were erected.

The Presbytery has three evangelists, Rev. J. D. Stanford and Rev. Letcher Smith, and Rev. W. McC. Miller, who is doing very interesting work in the city of Wilmington in connection with the First church. Two other ministers do evangelistic work.

Seven feeble churches are supplied and sixteen stations. The sum of \$2,137.35 was contributed by the Presbytery to evangelistic work.

(NOTE.—It should be stated that the basis of this report was furnished by a member of the Presbytery's committee of Home Missions in the absence and sickness of the chairman of the committee, and the member who so kindly gave this information was much pressed for time when the report was wanted.)

Rev. P. H. Hoge, D. D., is chairman of the Presbyterian Committee of Home Missions.

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MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY

contains nineteen counties, viz.: Anson 18,000, Buncombe 22,000, Cherokee 8,000, Clay 3,000, Cleveland 17,000, Gaston 14,000, Graham 2,000, Haywood 10,000, Henderson 10,000, Jackson 7,000, Lincoln 11,000, Macon 8,000, Madison 13,000, Mecklenburg 34,000, Polk 5,000, Rutherford 15,000, Swain 4,000, Transylvania 5,000, Union 18,000—224,000.

In four of these counties there is no Presbyterian church, viz.: Cherokee 8,000, Graham 2,000, Jackson 7,000, Madison 13,000—30,000.

In four other counties there is but one church each of our faith and order, viz: Transylvania seventy-five members, Polk twelve members, Clay twenty-five members, Swain thirty members. In Henderson, Macon and Haywood there are two churches in each county.

In the Presbytery there was reported to the General Assembly in the spring, thirty-five ministers, fifty-nine churches, 6,755 communicants. There is no evangelist giving his whole time to evangelistic work in the Presbytery, though four or five Ministers give part of their time to this work, supplying sixteen feeble churches and fifteen or twenty stations.

Four new churches and one chapel were dedicated during the past year and another new church awaits dedication. Also four other churches are in process of construction. There are three vacant fields in the Presbytery.

The sum of \$1 400 was contributed by the Presbytery to evangelistic work, and \$500 was contributed by evangelistic fields for this work. Amount of money as now projected, \$2,000.

Rev. W. E. McIlwain, of Gastonia, is chairman of Presbyterianial Committee of Home Missions.

ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY

contains twenty-eight counties and parts of three others, as follows, viz: Bertie 16,000 Camden 6,000, Chowan 8,000, Currituck 6,000, Dare 3,000, Gates 9,000, Greene 10,000, Hertford 12,000, Hyde 8,000, Martin 13,000, Northampton 20,000, Pamlico 6 000, Perquimans 9,000, Pitt 22,000, Tyrrell 5,000, Washington 19,000, Beaufort 17,000, Edgecombe 26,000, Franklin 21,000, Halifax 30,000, Johnston 23,000, Nash 18,000, Pasquotank 10,000, Wilson 16,000, Vance —, Wake 48,000, Warren 23,000, Granville 31,000, and parts of Wayne 25,000, Lenoir 15,000, and Craven 20,000—representing a total population of about 460,000.

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In sixteen of these counties we have no Presbyterian church organization, viz: Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Greene, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Northampton, Pamlico, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell, Washington—population 163,000.

In nine others there is one Presbyterian church each, viz: Beaufort, Edgecombe, Franklin, Halifax, Johnston, Lenoir (?), Nash, Pasquotank, Wilson—178,000.

In the bounds of this Presbytery there is one church in Wayne and Craven each, and Wilmington Presbytery has one church in each of these counties.

In Vance, Wake and Warren counties we have two churches in each county. And in Granville there are four churches, which is the largest number in any county in the Presbytery. To the General Assembly last spring the Presbytery reported fourteen ministers, twenty-two churches, and 1,575 communicants.

During the past year we have organized one church in Elizabeth City, known as the Cann Memorial church. Four church buildings have been erected or occupied for the first time during the past year, viz: Cann Memorial at Elizabeth City, Pasquotank county, Falkland, in Pitt county, Strickland's Mills, in Wilson county, and a chapel at Georgetown on the suburbs of the city of Goldsboro. This last building was erected by the church in Goldsboro. Three other churches are in process of erection or soon will be, at Oxford, LaGrange and Leggett's in Edgecombe county. There are three evangelists in the Presbytery, viz: Revs. F. H. Johnston, D. D., Robt. P. Pell and J. B. Swann. Rev J. N. H. Summerell, pastor of Tarboro church, has been doing Evangelistic work in Pitt county, and Rev. J. C. McMullen is actively engaged in Evangelistic work at Georgetown, near Goldsboro, and Rev. S. H. Isler, has been engaged in like work at Selma and Smithfield, in Johnston county.

Four feeble churches have been supplied by these brethren and eleven stations regularly ministered to.

There are three fields vacant in the Presbytery which should be supplied at once, all of these evangelistic fields. From present prospects we hope that two of these fields will be soon supplied by as many ministers whom we hope soon to welcome to the Presbytery.

As the Presbytery is not a year old it is difficult to obtain the amounts contributed to evangelistic work during the few months it has been a separate body.

Reports of Synodical Agents—Evangelistic Labor.

At least \$2,000 per annum is needed to do the work already projected and we are glad to say we have the expectation of spending this amount during the next year in evangelistic work in our bounds.

RECAPITULATION.

There are ninety-six counties in the Synod. In twenty-seven of them there is no Presbyterian church. These twenty-seven counties are distributed amongst the Presbyteries as follows, viz: Orange four, Concord two, Wilmington one, Mecklenburg four, Albemarle sixteen. Total twenty-seven.

There are nineteen counties in the Synod with only one church in each county, distributed amongst the Presbyteries as follows, viz: Orange four, Concord two, Mecklenburg four, Albemarle nine. Total nineteen.

New churches organized—Concord two, Wilmington one, Albemarle one.

New church buildings erected—Fayetteville two, Orange two, Concord one, Wilmington four, Mecklenburg five, Albemarle four.

Evangelists—Fayetteville two, Wilmington three, Albemarle three—eight. The Synod has two in addition to these Presbyterial evangelists.

Ministers doing Evangelistic work—Orange two, Concord nine, (Fayetteville all, more or less,) Wilmington two, Mecklenburg five, Albemarle three.

Feeble churches supplied—Orange eight, Concord twelve, Wilmington seven, Mecklenburg sixteen, Albemarle four.

Stations supplied—Orange two, Concord five, Wilmington sixteen, Mecklenburg twenty, Albemarle eleven.

Money needed to accomplish work projected—Orange \$1,000, Concord \$1,250, Fayetteville \$2,000, Mecklenburg \$2,000, Albemarle \$2,000—\$8,250. No estimate was received from Wilmington Presbytery.

The population of our State in 1890, is 1,617,340. The most recent statistics your agent has been able to gather of the leading religious denominations in the State, including the Baptist 127,785, Methodist 113,500, Episcopal 7,465, Methodist Protestant 15,000, Moravian 1,724, Old School Baptist 12,000, and Presbyterian churches 26,189, give us 303,713 communicants. The population of the blacks in the State is about 531,277, leaving about 867,242 whites, and of this number

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(white population in 1890) 303,713 are communicants, and allowing 10,000 for all other denominations that may be represented in the State, we have still left 463,529 white. Twenty-seven counties in the bounds of this Synod without a Presbyterian church and 463,529 white still outside the Church! Can the Synod of North Carolina face these facts and say we are "pure from the blood of all men?" With the knowledge of our commission as ambassadors for Christ and the words of our Master sounding continually in our ears, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," how can we meet our Lord and say to Him, "It is done as thou hast commanded and yet there is room?" There lie at our very doors the poor, wretched, blind, miserable, and many of us are living, if not sumptuously every day, in plenty and great comfort, while we forget our Saviour's command "Give ye them to eat." Let us remember "that to whom much is given of them much shall be required."

Taking a general view of the field as represented in our Synod, we see even here that the harvest is great, but the laborers are few. The Synod therefore feels constrained to remind the Presbyteries and through the Presbyteries the churches, of the injunction of the Master, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth laborers into His harvest."

The Synod further feels constrained to urge upon the Presbyteries, and through the Presbyteries the ministers especially, and churches, that they bear in mind the nature of the commission given us by the Great Head of the Church, that this commission is to preach the Gospel to every creature. Every man who has the spirit of the Lord Jesus must be a propagandist of the Gospel. The spirit of propagandism is an essential spirit of Christianity. He, therefore, who is not in possession of this spirit or possesses it in a weakened or modified form, cannot be regarded as a fair exponent of the Spirit of Christ Jesus. The privilege of being laborers together with Christ Jesus in spreading abroad a knowledge of the truth till every soul is evangelized, should be kept prominently before every church member and minister, and before every court of the Church.

In view of this solemn trust committed to us by the great Head of the Church and with a knowledge of the vast destitutions in our borders and at our doors, the Synod is impressed with the great importance of securing as early as possible, more evangelists whose whole time shall be spent in efforts to evangelize every portion of our territory.

 Report of Committee on Bible Cause.

For the purpose of creating a greater interest amongst our churches in the evangelistic work of the Synod, and the hope thereby of adding much to the efficiency of the means now and hereafter to be used towards this end, it is recommended that Home Mission conventions or conferences be held in different parts of the Synod under supervision of Synod's Committee of Evangelistic Labor, the number, times and places of such conventions being left to the discretion of this committee.

ALEXANDER SPRUNT,
Agent Evangelistic Labor.

 REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee appointed by Synod last fall to report on the subject of Bible Distribution and of methods of increasing interest therein among our people, would report as follows :

The Presbyterian Church has always held that the Scriptures were intended for the people, and that it was their duty and privilege to study them and become familiar with the important, grand and blessed truths therein revealed.

This is abundantly evinced in our standards all through, as, for instance, Larger Catechism, Ques. 156—"Is the Word of God to be read by all?" Ans.—"Although all are not permitted to read the Word publicly to the congregation, yet all sorts of people are bound to read it apart by themselves and with their families, etc." Then in the Directory for Worship, in the directions for observing the Lord's Day: "Let every person and family, in the morning, by secret and private prayer, etc., by reading the Scriptures, by holy meditation, prepare for communion with God in his public ordinances." Then in the Directory for Secret and Family Worship: "Secret worship is most plainly enjoined by our Lord. In this duty every one, apart by himself, is to spend some time in prayer, reading the Scriptures, etc." All this implies, and in fact our confession plainly declares, that the Scriptures are to be translated into the language of every nation under heaven; it also implies that they are to be published and distributed among people everywhere.

Report of Committee on Bible Cause.

Our Church also in the past has endeavored to do her part in this work of disseminating the Scriptures. Many of our missionaries have translated the Scriptures into various languages and have engaged in distributing God's Word among the people. They are still doing it. But through what agency has our Church and is our Church in this country doing this work of translation, publication and distribution of the Bible? We answer, mainly through the American Bible Society. We, as a Church, do not sustain men for the purpose of devoting themselves wholly to the translation of the Scriptures. We have no house for the publication of Bibles; we employ and send out no colporteurs to distribute Bibles alone. We recognize this as a vital work. Upon what, then, is our main reliance for its accomplishment? We answer, the American Bible Society. What then, is the American Bible Society, and what is the relation of our Church to it? The American Bible Society is a voluntary society, instituted in the year 1816. The sole object of this society is to encourage a wider circulation of the Holy Scriptures without note or comment. It is thoroughly non-sectarian. Its entire work is essentially gratuitous and non-remunerative. Its dependence for its support and the prosecution of its work is the benevolence of Christian Churches and individuals. It has done a grand work. In seventy-three years it has issued 52,736,075 volumes of the Holy Scriptures, in more than eighty languages or dialects, so that every quarter of the globe has been blessed by its ministrations. It has made grants to mission churches, Sabbath schools, hospitals and asylums in all parts of the land. It has supplied hundreds of thousands of volumes to immigrants as they reached our shores, and hundreds and thousands more to the freedmen, and it has paid special attention to the wants of the North American Indians. It has prepared at great expense the entire Bible in raised letters for the blind. It is now conducting an immense system of colportage in the United States, thus reaching multitudes whose wants could not be otherwise supplied. The society has just completed the fourth supply of the United States. The expenditures for foreign work in the year ending March 31st, 1890, were \$147,132.40, besides what has been expended at the Bible House in New York in printing the Scriptures in foreign languages for circulation abroad. Our missionaries in various countries use the Bibles of the American Bible Society in their work of disseminating God's truth. Thus the Bible Society, by the expenditure of large sums of money, is co-operating with us in our mission work.

Report of Committee on Bible Cause.

The Society has four times canvassed our State and supplied our destitute with Bibles. Last year the Society canvassed twelve counties in the State, employing eight or ten colporteurs and sending in 19,944 Bibles and Testaments to the State, of which 10,659 were for colportage and grants. It did this almost wholly at the expense of the contributions of others. The donations accredited to the whole district of North and South Carolina was last year only \$784.75. What did the Presbyterian Church in North Carolina do for the American Bible Society last year? We can only find in the tabulated statement of receipts \$2.56 from churches in Fayetteville Presbytery. It is true that many of our people belong to the various auxiliaries of the Society in the State, but the donations from these auxiliaries, composed of members of all denominations, was only \$115 for the general work of the society. Only three of the auxiliaries in the State made any canvass of their districts, and two of these to a very limited extent. Is it not evident, then, that we are falling far behind our duty in this work? Let us endeavor, during the coming year, to be more faithful to this cause.

We call your attention to the action of our General Assembly last spring—Minutes, pages 10 and 11. We call the especial attention of our ministers to this action of the General Assembly and we recommend that all our churches be urged to comply with this recommendation of the Assembly, to make an annual collection for the Bible Society.

We call especial attention to the great work which the American Bible Society has recently undertaken, viz: to place a Bible in the hands of every child in the United States that can read, and we recommend that parents, pastors, Sunday school superintendents and teachers in our Church be urged heartily to co-operate with the Society in this work.

Finally we recommend that Synod too, like the General Assembly, appoint a Standing Committee on the Bible Cause, so that we may have this great work systematically and regularly considered every year. This Standing Committee, while calling attention to the whole work of the Bible Society, shall especially take notice of the work of the Society within our Synod and the share North Carolina Presbyterians are having in it.

Respectfully submitted,

C. MILLER.

Standing Rules.

E.

STANDING RULES OF SYNOD.

REVISED NOVEMBER 1883.

I. OF ENROLLMENT, ATTENDANCE AND ABSENCE.

1. The stated clerk, the pastor of the church in which the Synod holds its annual session, and the delegates of the session of said church shall constitute a Committee of Enrollment, who shall, at a convenient hour before the opening of the Synod, prepare the roll of the Synod. And to the Committee of Enrollment shall each member report for enrollment upon appearing at Synod.

2. It shall be the duty of each member, unless released by a vote of the Synod, when providentially prevented from attending the Synod, to address a letter to the Moderator, stating reasons for his detention.

3. The Moderator shall at every meeting appoint a Standing Committee on Leave of Absence. To this committee all excuses for absence or late attendance, and for the latter, on the part of ruling elders as well as ministers, shall be rendered. The roll shall be called before final adjournment, and those absent without permission shall be called to answer for such irregularity.

II. OF THE OFFICERS AND APPOINTEES OF SYNOD.

4. A majority of all the votes given shall be necessary in the election of the officers of the Synod.

5. The Treasurer shall submit to the Synod annually his book, together with a report of receipts and expenditures, presenting vouchers for the same.

6. The Trustees of Synod shall be elected every four years, and they shall present annually a full written report of the funds in their hands

7. Agents shall be appointed on each of the following departments of the Church's work, viz: Foreign Missions, Sustentation, Education, Publication, Evangelistic Labor, and Sabbath Schools. And it shall be the duty of these agents to take into consideration the whole field committed to their supervision, and to present at each meeting of the Synod a written report of all that is doing within the bounds of Synod on the subjects severally assigned to them. The agents for these respective subjects, or chairmen of committees, in the several Presbytery

Standing Rules.

ries, shall forward to the Synodical Agents such reports as are needful in the preparation of their reports to the Synod. And the Synod shall appoint Orders of the Day for each of these causes at each annual meeting. In connection with the Order for Evangelistic Labor, the Synod will hear reports from Presbyterian Agents and Evangelists. And in connection with the consideration of Foreign Missions, a collection may also be taken for this object.

III. OF COMMITTEES.

8. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting, to whom the Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries shall be referred; and this committee shall condense the same and report to the Synod any matter contained in these reports calling for action by this body.

9. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting, to whom the reports of the Presbyteries on Systematic Beneficence shall be referred; and this committee shall condense the same and report to the Synod, recommending any action called for on the subject. The Presbyterian Reports shall cover the fiscal year of the Assembly.

10. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting to examine the Synodical Records and report thereon.

IV. OF THE STATED CLERK AND THE MINUTES.

11. The Stated Clerk shall forward to the Librarian of Union Theological Seminary and the Librarian of Davidson College, the Secretary of the Presbyterian Historical Society, and the Secretary of the North Carolina Historical Society, a copy of the Minutes of the Synod as published annually.

12. He shall issue and sign certificates whenever necessary for the return of members and their families on the railroads of the State to their homes.

13. The Stated Clerk shall publish in the Appendix to the printed Minutes the reports of the Presbyteries furnishing statistics to the Synod; the statistics of the annual reports of the Synodical Agents, when approved by the Synod, requesting, on behalf of the Synod, the publication of the full reports in the *North Carolina Presbyterian*; a list of the officers and appointees of the Synod; the Standing Rules of the Synod, and a Docket of the business of the Synod at its next annual meeting.

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14. The Stated Clerk shall publish in the Appendix to the printed Minutes, at least once in five years, the names of the Ruling Elders and Deacons, with their respective postoffices, belonging to the churches composing the Synod; and the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries shall forward to the Stated Clerk of the Synod the information necessary for the execution of this rule.

V. MISCELLANEOUS.

15. The Parliamentary Rules adopted by the General Assembly for 1886, and since that time observed by them, shall be the rules for the guidance of this Synod.

16. The Directors of the Union Theological Seminary appointed by this Synod, shall render excuse to the Synod for non-attendance on any meeting of the Board, and if so absent without assigning sufficient excuse, his seat in the Board will be declared vacant.

17. It was ordered that it be a Standing Rule of Synod that hereafter the Synodical Communion be celebrated on Thursday evening. (Minutes 1883, page 402.)

18. The election of Stated Clerk and Synodical Agents shall be held in 1886, and every three years thereafter—the former to enter upon his duties at the opening of the Synod immediately succeeding that at which he is elected, and the latter to enter upon their duties immediately after the adjournment of the Synod which elected them. (Minutes 1883, p. 240.)

19. It was made a Standing Rule that the Roll be called at the opening of the Synod, that those who have been enrolled by the Committee of Enrollment may answer to their names. (Minutes 1885, p. 612.)

20. The Committee on Leave of Absence was instructed not to grant leaves of absence except for urgent reasons; and the Stated Clerk was directed to enter this action upon the Docket of the next Synod for information and caution to members of the committee and of the Synod. (Minutes 1885, p. 615.)

Moderators of Synod.

F.

GENERAL DIRECTORY

MODERATORS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1813. *Rev. Robert H. Chapman.....	Alamance Church.
1814. *Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell.....	Thyatira Church.
1815. *Rev. Wm. McPheeters.....	Fayetteville.
1816. *Rev. John Robinson.....	Raleigh.
1817. No meeting—no quorum present.....	Rocky River.
1818. *Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D. D.....	Fayetteville.
1819. *Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, D. D.....	Raleigh.
1820. *Rev. William Paisley.....	Poplar Tent.
1821. *Rev. John M. Wilson.....	Salisbury.
1822. *Rev. John Robinson	Hillsborough.
1823. *Rev. John Witherspoon.....	Fayetteville.
1824. *Rev. Colin McIver.....	Statesville.
1825. *Rev. John B. Davis.....	Greensborough.
1826. *Rev. Wm. McPheeters, D. D.....	Fayetteville.
1827. *Rev. R. H. Morrison, D. D.....	Salisbury.
[The stated clerk has no record of this and the two succeeding meetings.]	
1828. *Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch.....	Raleigh.
1829. *Rev. John Williamson.....	Fayetteville.
1830. *Rev. Samuel L. Graham.....	Hopewell.
1831. *Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich.....	Hillsborough.
1832. *Rev. Samuel Williamson	Salisbury.
1833. *Rev. Henry A. Rowland.....	Wilmington.
1834. *Rev. James W. Douglass.....	Oxford.
1835. *Rev. Henry N. Pharr.....	Salisbury.
1836. *Rev. Joseph Brown.	Fayetteville.
1837. *Rev. N. H. Harding.....	Shiloh.
1838. *Rev. Stephen Frontis.....	Third Creek Church.
1839. *Rev. Daniel A. Penick.....	Lincolnton.
1840. *Rev. Alexander Wilson, D. D.....	Danville, Va.
1841. *Rev. William N. Peacock.....	Fayetteville.
1842. *Rev. Walter S. Pharr.....	Poplar Tent.

*Deceased.

Moderators of Synod.

MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1843. *Rev. James Phillips.....	Raleigh.
1844. *Rev. Simeon Colton.....	Fayetteville.
1845. *Rev. Samuel Williamson.....	Charlotte.
1846. *Rev. Drury Lacy	Greensborough.
1847. *Rev. Evander McNair.....	Fayetteville.
1848. *Rev. Cyrus Johnston.....	Salisbury.
1849. *Rev. John A. Gretter.....	Hillsborough.
1850. *Rev. Adam Gilchrist.....	Centre.
1851. *Rev. Archibald Baker.....	Rocky River.
1852. *Rev. Wm. N. Mebane.....	Danville, Va.
1853. *Rev. Hector McLean.....	Wilmington.
1854. *Rev. A. L. Watts.....	Concord.
1855. *Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D. D.....	Greensborough.
1856. Rev. Neil McKay, D. D.....	Fayetteville.
1857. *Rev. Walter W. Pharr, D. D.....	Charlotte.
1858. *Rev. Jacob Doll.....	Newbern.
1859. *Rev. F. K. Nash.....	Wilmington.
1860. *Rev. R. H. Lafferty.....	Statesville.
1861. *Rev. Edward Hines.....	Raleigh.
1862. *Rev. John M. Sherwood.....	Goldsborough.
1863. *Rev. R. N. Davis.....	Salisbury.
1864. *Rev. A. G. Hughes.....	Greensborough.
1865. Rev. Colin Shaw.....	Fayetteville.
1866. *Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D. D.....	Charlotte.
1867. Rev. Archibald Currie.....	Newbern.
1868. Rev. D. D. McBryde.....	Wilmington.
1869. *Rev. Jesse Rankin.....	Morganton.
1870. *Rev. R. A. Stanfield.....	Raleigh.
1871. Rev. J. P. McPherson.....	Fayetteville.
1872. Rev. Arnold W. Miller, D. D.....	Charlotte.
1873. *Rev. James M. Sprunt.....	Wilmington.
1874. Rev. J. Rumple, D. D.....	Concord.
1875. Rev. P. H. Dalton.....	Greensborough.
1876. *Rev. Martin McQueen.....	Fayetteville.
1877. *Rev. John Douglass	Charlotte.
1878. Rev. Joseph R. Wilson, D. D.....	Goldsborough.
1879. *Rev. E. F. Rockwell, D. D.....	Statesville.
1880. Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D.....	Raleigh.
1881. Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D.....	Salisbury.

*Deceased.

Moderators of Synod. Officers and Appointees of Synod.

	MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1882.	Rev. L. McKinnon, D. D.	Asheville.
1883.	Rev. F. H. Johnson, D. D.	Wilmington.
1884.	*Rev. P. T. Penick.....	Winston.
1885.	*Rev. J. C. Alexander.....	Reidsville.
1886.	Rev. John W. Primrose	Concord.
1887.	Rev. R. Z. Johnston.....	Fayetteville.
1888.	Hon. A. M. Scales.....	Goldsborough.
1889.	Rev. J. M. Wharey.....	Charlotte.
1890.	Rev. Alexander Sprunt.....	Wilmington.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY—MEMBERS OF BOARD
OF DIRECTORS FROM SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

To go out in 1894.

Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Rev. J. W. Primrose, D. D.,
Mr. Geo. E. Wilson, Ruling Elder.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

To go out in 1893.

Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D., Rev. L. C. Vass, D. D.,
Mr. B. F. Hall, Ruling Elder.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

To go out in 1892.

Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D.,
Dr. E. Nye Hutchison, Ruling Elder.

FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

To go out in 1891.

Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Rev. D. D. McBryde,
Prof. Wm. J. Martin, L. L. D., Ruling Elder.

STATED CLERKS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

1813	*Rev. Robt. H. Chapman.	1859.	*Rev. Jacob Doll.
1818.	*Rev. Colin McIver.	1878.	Rev. Wm. L. Lacy.
1849.	*Rev. Drury Lacy.	1886.	Rev. J. A. Ramsay,
1855.	*Rev. Archibald Baker.		Mill Bridge, N. C.

*Deceased.

Officers and Appointees of Synod.

AGENTS OF SYNOD.

Rev. W. S. P. Bryan.....	Agent of Foreign Missions.
Rev. J. W. Primrose, D. D.....	Agent of Sustentation.
Rev. W. R. McLelland.....	Agent of Education.
Rev. E. W. Smith.....	Agent of Publication.
Rev. A. R. Shaw.....	Agent of Sabbath Schools.
Rev. Alexander Sprunt.....	Agent of Evangelistic Labor.
To go out in 1892.	

TREASURER OF SYNOD.

Mr. I. H. Foust.....	Salisbury, N. C.
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TRUSTEES OF SYNOD—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

To go out in 1891.

Col. John E. Brown (Chairman).....	Charlotte.
Col. J. B. Rankin.....	Charlotte.
Mr. J. L. Brown.....	Charlotte.
Mr. R. M. Oates.....	Charlotte.
Hon. A. C. Avery.....	Morganton.
Mr. D. F. Cannon.....	Concord.
Mr. E. B. Stimson.....	Statesville.

STATED CLERKS OF PRESBYTERIES.

<i>Orange</i> —Rev. H. T. Darnall.....	Durham.
<i>Concord</i> —Rev. Wm. W. Pharr.....	Mooreville.
<i>Fayetteville</i> —Rev. A. R. Shaw.....	Manly.
<i>Wilmington</i> —Rev. A. McFadyen.....	Clarkton.
<i>Mecklenburg</i> —Rev. R. Z. Johnston.....	Lineolnton
<i>Albemarle</i> —Rev. J. N. H. Summerell.....	Tarboro.

Regents of Orphans' Home. Roll of Ministers. Orange.

REGENTS OF ORPHANS' HOME.

FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FIVE YEARS.

To go out in 1895.

Rev. W. R. McLelland, S. H. Wiley, Esq.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

To go out in 1894.

Hon. A. Leazar, Mr. John E. Oates.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

To go out in 1893.

Rev. J. Rumble, D. D., Rev. D. I. Craig.

FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

To go out in 1892.

Geo. Chadbourn, Esq., Mr. G. M. Love.

FIFTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

To go out in 1891.

Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain. Geo. E. Wilson, Esq.

ROLL OF MINISTERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SYNOD.
1890.

I.—ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.

Post Office.

1. Thomas U. Faucette.....Milton.
2. J. Henry Smith, D. D.....Greensboro.
3. C. N. Morrow Hawthorne, Fla.
4. H. T. Darnall.....Durham.
5. Cornelius Miller.....Greensboro.
6. Jas. L. Currie.....Burlington.
7. D. I. Craig.....Reidsville.
8. W. F. Wilhelm.....Hillsboro.
9. E. W. Smith.....Greensboro.
10. S. O. Hall.....Madison.
11. R. W. Culbertson.....McLeansville.
12. E. P. Davis.....Winston.
13. J. H. Lacy.....Mebane's.

 Roll of Ministers. Orange. Concord Fayetteville.

*Ministers.**Post Office.*

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| 14. W. P. McCorkle..... | Lexington. |
| 15. G. A. Wilson..... | Mebane's. |
| 16. W. R. Coppedge..... | Graham. |
| 17. J. J. Harrell, F. M..... | |

II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

*Ministers.**Post Office.*

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| 1. B. L. Beall..... | Lenoir. |
| 2. P. H. Dalton | Mocksville. |
| 3. J. Rumple, D. D..... | Salisbury. |
| 4. Wm. W. Pharr, D. D..... | Mooreville. |
| 5. W. A. Wood, D. D..... | Statesville. |
| 6. A. L. Crawford..... | Taylorsville. |
| 7. J. B. Shearer, D. D..... | Davidson College. |
| 8. L. M. McKinnon, D. D..... | Clinton. |
| 9. J. M. Wharey, D. D..... | Mooreville. |
| 10. L. K. Glasgow..... | Davidson College. |
| 11. C. M. Payne, D. D..... | Concord. |
| 12. John W. Davis, D. D..... | Soochow, China. |
| 13. Thos. J. Allison..... | Elmwood. |
| 14. J. A. Ramsay..... | Mill Bridge. |
| 15. C. A. Munroe..... | Lenoir. |
| 16. W. R. McLelland..... | Statesville. |
| 17. J. G. Anderson..... | Harrisburg. |
| 18. I. N. Campbell..... | Wood-leaf. |
| 19. H. G. Gilland | Concord. |
| 20. R. S. Arrowood..... | Mill Hill. |
| 21. D. Munroe | Newton. |
| 22. C. W. Maxwell..... | |
| 23. J. M. Greenlee | Marion. |
| 24. E. E. Pressly..... | Fancy Hill. |
| 25. J. P. Marion..... | Morganton. |

III.—FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

*Ministers.**Post Office.*

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| 1. J. P. McPherson..... | Jonesboro. |
| 2. N. McKay, D. D..... | Lillington. |
| 3. A. McMillan..... | Laurinburg. |
| 4. D. D. McBryde..... | Little River Academy |
| 5. Jas. McQueen..... | Swann's Station. |
| 6. A. McQueen..... | Queensdale. |

 Roll of Ministers. Fayetteville. Wihnington. Mecklenburg.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Post Office.</i>
7. H. G. Hill, D. D.....	Maxton.
8. David Fairley.....	Manchester.
9. A. A. Ferguson.....	Laurinburg.
10. K. M. McIntyre.....	Endicott.
11. Joseph Evans	Plainville.
12. J. S. Black.....	Athens.
13. A. R. Shaw.....	Carthage.
14. Chalmers Moore.....	Laurinburg.
15. P. R. Law.....	Lumberton.
16. T. P. Barclay	Fayetteville.
17. A. Currie.....	Carthage.
18. K. A. McLeod.....	Endicott.
19. J. M. Clark.....	Melrose.
20. J. W. Johnston.....	Aberdeen.
21. W. F. Thom.....	Ore Hill.
22. G. A. Hough.....	Worthville.
23. M. A. McIver.....	Rockingham.

IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Post Office.</i>
1. D. B. Black.....	Burgaw.
2. Colin Shaw.....	Magnolia.
3. James Kelly.....	Clarkton.
4. B. F. Marable, D. D.....	Clinton.
5. A. McFadyen.....	Clarkton.
6. Geo. W. McMillan.....	Whiteville.
7. K. McDonald.....	Magruder.
8. J. W. Primrose, D. D.....	Wilmington.
9. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D.....	Wilmington.
10. J. D. Stanford.....	Kenansville.
11. J. J. Hines.....	Riverdale.
12. Peter McIntyre.....	Faisons.
13. W. McC. Miller.....	Wilmington.

V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Post Office.</i>
1. J. E. Morrison.....	Morven.
2. J. D. Hall.....	Belmont.
3. Wm. Graves.....	Mills River.
4. A. W. Miller, D. D.....	Charlotte.
5. G. D. Parks.....	Charlotte.

[Roll of Ministers. Mecklenburg. Albemarle.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Post Office.</i>
6. R. Z. Johnston.....	Lincolnton.
7. J. J. Kennedy.....	Sandifer.
8. D. T. Towles.....	Crab Tree.
9. Wm. E. McIlwain.....	Gastonia.
10. Wm. R. Atkinson	Charlotte
11. D. P. Robinson	Palestine, Texas.
12. C. W. Robinson.....	Charlotte.
13. E. A. Sample,.....	King's Mountain.
14. T. A. Wharton.....	Charlotte.
15. W. S. P. Bryan.....	Asheville.
16. J. R. McAlpine.....	Huntersville.
17. J. L. Williamson.....	Charlotte.
18. W. B. Arrowood.....	Matthews.
19. S. C. Boyce.....	Wolfesville.
20. Wm. J. Erdman.....	Asheville.
21. M. A. Henderson.....	Brittain.
22. Roger Martin.....	Davenport.
23. R. W. Boyd.....	Lowesville.
24. Jesse W. Siler.....	Shelby.
25. W. C. C. Foster.....	Pleasant Ridge.
26. Geo. W. Belk	Shamrock.
27. R. C. Reed.....	Charlotte.
28. Frank D. Hunt.....	Hendersonville.
29. R. S. Brown	Murphy.
30. J. B. Cochran.....	Monteiths.
31. John W. Moore.....	Koochi, Japan.
32. D. F. Sheppard.....	Cooper.
33. R. E. Henderlite.....	Waynesville.

VI.—ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Post Office.</i>
1. Robert Burwell, D. D.	Raleigh.
2. Geo. W. Ferrill.....	Tally Ho.
3. J. M. Atkinson, D. D.....	Warrenton.
4. L. C. Vass, D. D.....	New Bern.
5. J. S. Watkins, D. D.....	Raleigh.
6. J. N. H. Summerell.....	Tarboro.
7. S. H. Isler.....	Goldsboro.
8. Alexander Sprunt.....	Henderson.
9. Carr Moore.....	Townesville.

Roll of Ministers. Albemarle.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Post Office.</i>
10. R. P. Pell.....	Wilson.
11. J. B. Swann.....	Scotland Neck.
12. J. C. McMullen.....	Goldsboro.
13. W. D. Morton, D. D.....	Raleigh.
14. Edward Mack.....	Berlin, Germany.
15. F. H. Johnston, D. D.....	Elizabeth City.

Daily Order of Business.

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DAILY ORDER OF BUSINESS.

[FROM 22ND RULE OF THE RULES OF PARLIAMENTARY ORDER, APPROVED BY THE SYNOD. SEE STANDING RULE 15.]

1. Prayer.
2. Minutes read.
3. Presentation of Papers—

- (a), Communications addressed to the body ;
- (b), Reports of Standing Committees ;
- (c), Reports of Select Committees ;
- (d), Resolutions.

[Each of which papers may, by unanimous consent, be taken up immediately on presentation ; but if objection be made, it shall be docketed.]

4. The Unfinished Business in which the Court was engaged at the last preceding adjournment in preference to the Orders of the Day.

[But such Unfinished Business may, on motion, without debate, be laid on the table to proceed with the Special Order.]

5. The Order of the Day.
6. Regular Docket.

[Motions to elect officers, to appoint committees, and to enroll members, shall always be in order, unless a member is speaking or the Court is voting.]

[NOTE.—If the Unfinished Business be laid on the table in order to proceed with the Order of the Day, when the order has been disposed of, such Unfinished Business has precedence of the Regular Docket.]

Docket.

H.

DOCKET

OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SYNOD OF
NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE HELD IN THE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH, DURHAM, N. C., ON TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 30TH, 1891, AT
7:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

I. Prayer.

II. Report of Committee of Enrollment.

III. Moderator Chosen.

IV. Temporary Clerks Chosen.

V. Minutes of last Annual Meeting of Synod read.

VI. Standing Committees Announced—

1. Bills and Overtures.
2. Judicial Committee.
3. Address to the Churches on the State of Religion.
4. Systematic Beneficence.
5. Minutes of the General Assembly.
6. Union Theological Seminary.
7. Treasurer's Books.
8. Report of the Trustees of Synod.
9. Devotional Exercises.
10. Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries.
11. Synodical Records.
12. Leave of Absence.

VII. Committee to Review Records of Presbyteries Announced—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

Docket.

VIII. Excuses for Absence from Last Meeting of Synod Referred.

IX. Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries Referred—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

X. Narratives of the State of Religion Referred—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

XI. Reports of Presbyteries on Systematic Beneficence Referred—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

XII. Report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary Read and Referred.

XIII. Appointment of Directors of Union Theological Seminary Referred.

[NOTE.—The term of office of the Fourth Class expires at this meeting of Synod, viz: Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Rev. D. D. McBryde, and Ruling Elder W. J. Martin, L. L. D.]

XIV. Synodical and Presbyterial Records Referred—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.
7. The Synod.

Docket.

- XV. Report of the Trustees of Synod (Col. John E. Brown, Chairman) Read and Referred.
- XVI. Report of the Treasurer of Synod Read and Referred.
- XVII. Appointment of Orders of the Day.
- XVIII. Reports of Synodical Agents Read—
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| 1. Sustentation, | Rev. John W. Primrose, D. D. |
| 2. Education, | Rev. W. R. McLelland. |
| 3. Publication, | Rev. E. W. Smith. |
| 4. Foreign Missions, | Rev. W. S. P. Bryan. |
| 5. Sabbath Schools, | Rev. A. R. Shaw. |
| 6. Evangelistic Labor, | Rev. Alexander Sprunt. |
- XIX. Report of Synodical Historical Committee, Rev. J. A. Ramsay, Chairman.
- XX. Report of Synodical Evangelistic Committee, Rev. Alexander Sprunt, Chairman.
- XXI. Report of Board of Regency, Rev. J. Rumble, D. D., Chairman.
- XXII. Report of Committee on the Bible Cause, Rev. C. Miller, Chairman. (P. 486.)
- XXIII. Report of the Committee on Church and Christian Education, Rev. J. Rumble, D. D., Chairman. (Page 478).
- XXIV. Election of Trustees of Synod.
- XXV. Report of Committee on *North Carolina Presbyterian*, Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., Chairman. (Minutes 1889, p. 353; 1890, p. 444.)
- XXVI. Synodical Communion on Thursday evening, as provided for by Rule 17.
- XXVII. Place and Time of Next Meeting of Synod.
- XXVIII. How many Copies of the Minutes shall be Published?
- XXIX. Statistical Report of the Synod to the General Assembly Adopted.
- XXX. Roll called before Final Adjournment.
- XXXI. Minutes Read and Approved.
- XXXII. Adjournment with Singing, Prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.

